

FINAL TOR

FOR

CONSOLIDATED  
INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
SERVICES  
(CONITS)

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TO: GSA Millennium Contractors

FROM: GSA Mid-Atlantic Region

SUBJECT: Final Task Order Request (TOR) for Consolidated Information  
Technology Services (CONITS), Control No. R320000724

Attached is the FINAL TOR to support the Langley Research Center's Consolidated Information Technology Services (CONITS) procurement. The base period of performance will be February 1, 2001, through January 31, 2002. The resultant TO will also contain seven successive option periods. This Final Task Order Request (TOR) is issued pursuant to the GSA Millennium contracts.

The Government intends to award the TO resulting from the Final TOR for this requirement without discussions. To facilitate this process, we would like to avoid situations where proposals include substantive exceptions to the proposed contract terms and conditions that might be unacceptable to the Government and, therefore, preclude award. Therefore, it is requested and **strongly recommended** that you bring to the Government's attention, any exceptions or questions as soon as possible. If your firm has not already done so, it is requested that within 7 days after release of this TOR, the offeror provide the Contracting Officer with a statement indicating intent to propose.

Attachment 1 of the TO includes important information on proposal preparation and evaluation criteria. A Bidder's Library is located at <http://larcpubs.larc.nasa.gov/conits/>

Questions regarding this FINAL TOR should be directed to the attention of the undersigned at (215) 656-6308 or e-mail at nancy.ballay@gsa.gov.

The Task Order consists of terms and conditions in addition to the following Exhibits which are referenced in the Task Order:

Exhibit A, Statement of Work  
Exhibit B, Labor Loaded Rates and Travel, Tools, And Other Direct Costs (ODC)  
Indirect Handling Rates  
Exhibit C, Award Fee Evaluation Plan  
Exhibit D, Subcontracting Plan (to be submitted)  
Exhibit E, Task Order Documentation Requirements  
Exhibit F, Task Order Security Classification Specification, DD Form 254  
Exhibit G, Procedures for the Preparation and Approval of Contractor Reports for  
Langley Research Center, Form P-72

The following attachments will not become part of the Task Order, but are needed for proposal preparation:

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

Attachment 1, Instructions And Evaluation Criteria  
Attachment 2, Government Estimated Staffing  
Attachment 3, Past Performance Questionnaire  
Attachment 4, Bid Schedules  
Attachment 5, Full Cost Accounting Report (Sample)  
Attachment 6, Questions and Answers (NOTE: REVISIONS)

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**TASK ORDER (TO)****1. STATEMENT OF WORK**

The Contractor shall provide all resources (except as may be expressly stated in this TO as furnished by the Government) necessary to perform the requirements delineated in Exhibit A, Statement of Work (SOW), entitled Consolidated Information Technology Services (CONITS).

**2. ESTIMATED COST AND AWARD FEE**

(a) The estimated cost of this task order is \$ \_\_\_\_\_. The maximum available award fee is \$ \_\_\_\_\_. Total estimated cost and maximum award fee are \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

(b) The estimated Cost-Plus-Award-Fee (CPAF) of this TO as stated above represents the Government's most accurate projection of the magnitude of support to be required under this TO during its performance period. To account for the possibility that the Government's requirements may increase at a faster rate than currently projected, the Government reserves the right to increase the estimated CPAF of this TO by as much as 50% over the life of the TO, if necessary. Such increases shall only apply to additional effort that clearly falls within the scope of the Statement of Work and within the performance period of the TO, including all available option periods.

(c) The award fee earned for each evaluation period is as follows:

<u>Period</u>	<u>Earned Award Fee</u>
February 1, 2001 – July 31, 2001	TBD
August 1, 2001 – January 31, 2002	TBD

**3. CONTRACT FUNDING (NASA 1852.232-81) (JUN 1990)**

(a) For purposes of payment of cost, exclusive of fee, in accordance with the "Limitation of Funds" clause, the total amount allotted by the Government to this Task Order is \$ \_\_\_\_\_. This allotment is for the performance of work under Task Assignments (TA) issued in accordance with Paragraph 3 of the SOW and covers the following estimated period of performance: **TBD**.

(b) An additional amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is obligated under this TO for payment of fee.

**4. ADMINISTRATION OF CONTRACT FUNDING**

(a) The Contractor agrees that all future incremental funding shall be accomplished by Administrative Change Modifications issued by NASA Langley Research Center and that the funding procedure shall in no way change the Contractor's notification obligations as set forth in the "Limitation of Funds" clause.

(b) In addition to the requirements of the "Limitation of Funds" clause, the Contractor shall notify the NASA Contracting Officer in writing if, at any time, the Contractor has reason to believe that the total cost to the Government for the complete performance of this TO will be greater or substantially less than the then total estimated cost of the TO. Such notification shall give a revised estimate of the total cost for the performance of this TO.

(c) The "Limitation of Funds" clause also applies individually to TA's issued under the Task Order.

5. LABOR, TRAVEL, TOOLS, ODC'S

(a) Exhibit B includes a list of labor categories and their associated fully loaded direct labor cost per hour. These labor categories and rates will be used to establish estimated cost for individual TA's issued under the TO, including options, if exercised.

(b) Exhibit B also lists the burden rates to be applied to travel, tools, and ODC's in developing the estimated costs for individual TA's.

(c) TA's will be written as performance-based completion tasks, not level-of-effort (LOE) tasks. Therefore, the negotiated number of hours and skill mix will be used for estimating purposes for a particular TA and will lead to the estimated cost and fee for that TA. The Government will not specify hours in the TA document and is not purchasing a LOE on TA's.

6. AWARD FEE PLAN AND AVAILABLE FEE

(a) The Award Fee Evaluation Plan is contained as Exhibit C to this TO. The maximum award fee available to the Contractor on each TA will be established by applying fixed TBD% rates to the total estimated (not actual) cost of each TA agreed upon by both parties at the time of issuance. A fixed rate of TBD% will be applied to the fully burdened direct labor cost and a fixed rate of TBD% will be applied to fully burdened costs of tools and ODC's. No fee will be applied to travel costs.

(b) The award fee available for each evaluation period will be determined based on the TA's issued during that period. If a TA is projected to be started and completed during a particular evaluation period, then the award fee for that particular TA will be included in the award fee available for that period only. If a TA is started in a particular evaluation period and projected to extend beyond that period, then the award fee for that particular TA will be distributed across the appropriate evaluation periods consistent with projected completion milestones. At the end of each evaluation period, the actual earned award fee will be added to the TO by unilateral modification.

7. AWARD FEE FOR SERVICE CONTRACTS

(a) The contractor can earn award fee from a minimum of zero dollars to the maximum stated in Paragraph 2(a) above.

(b) Beginning 6 months after the effective date of this contract, the Government shall evaluate the Contractor's performance every 6 months to determine the amount of award fee earned by the contractor during the period. The Contractor may submit a self-evaluation of performance for each evaluation period under consideration. These self-evaluations will be considered by the Government in its evaluation. The Government's Fee Determination Official (FDO) will determine the award fee amounts based on the Contractor's performance in accordance with Exhibit C, Award Fee Evaluation Plan. The plan may be revised unilaterally by the Government prior to the beginning of any rating period to redirect emphasis.

(c) The Government will advise the Contractor in writing of the evaluation results. The Langley Research Center Financial Management Division will make payment based on the issuance of unilateral modification by Contracting Officer.

(d) After 85 percent of the potential award fee has been paid, the Contracting Officer may direct the withholding of further payment of award fee until a reserve is set aside in an amount that the Contracting Officer considers necessary to protect the Government's interest. This reserve shall not exceed 15 percent of the total potential award fee.

(e) The amount of award fee which can be awarded in each evaluation period is limited to the amounts set forth through the issuance of TA's in accordance with the Task Assignment Procedure in Paragraph 3 of Exhibit A and the distribution of fee on those TA's in accordance with Paragraph 6 above. Award fee which is not earned in an evaluation period cannot be reallocated to future evaluation periods.

(f) (1) Provisional award fee payments will NOT be made under this TO pending the determination of the amount of fee earned for an evaluation period.

(g) Award fee determinations are unilateral decisions made solely at the discretion of the Government.

8. FINAL INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE (LaRC 52.246-94) (OCT 1992)

Reference clause E.3.1 of the contract, Responsibility for the Inspection and Acceptance. Acceptance will take place at Langley Research Center, Hampton, VA, unless stated otherwise in TA's.

9. PERIOD OF PERFORMANCE

(a) The base period of performance of this TO shall be from February 1, 2001 to January 31, 2002. If options are exercised in accordance with Paragraph 19, the Period of Performance shall be as follows:

First Option Period:	February 1, 2002 – January 31, 2003
Second Option Period:	February 1, 2003 – January 31, 2004
Third Option Period:	February 1, 2004 – January 31, 2005
Fourth Option Period:	February 1, 2005 – January 31, 2006
Fifth Option Period:	February 1, 2006 – January 31, 2007
Sixth Option Period:	February 1, 2007 – January 31, 2008
Seventh Option Period:	February 1, 2008 – April 27, 2009

(b) Any task assignment (TA) issued during the effective period of this TO and not completed within that period shall be completed by the Contractor within the time specified in the TA. The TO and contract shall govern the Contractor's and Government's rights and obligations with respect to that TA to the same extent as if the TA were completed during the contract's effective period, provided, that the Contractor shall not be required to make any deliveries under this TO beyond six (6) months after the end of the contract's effective period.

10. PLACE OF DELIVERY (LaRC 52.211-92) (OCT 1992)

Delivery shall be f.o.b. destination NASA Langley Research Center, Hampton, VA 23681-2199 or as specified in TA's.

11. PLACE(S) OF PERFORMANCE (LaRC 52.211-98) (OCT 1992)

The place(s) of performance shall be the Contractor's facility; NASA Langley Research Center, Hampton, Virginia; and/or other sites as may be designated in the TA's.

12. DESIGNATION OF NEW TECHNOLOGY REPRESENTATIVE AND PATENT REPRESENTATIVE (NASA 1852.227-72) (JUL 1997)

(a) For purposes of administration of the clause of this contract entitled "New Technology" or "Patent Rights – Retention by the Contractor (Short Form)", whichever is included, the following named representatives are hereby designated by the Contracting Officer to administer such clause:

<u>Title</u>	<u>Office Code</u>	<u>Address (including zip code)</u>
New Technology Representative	212	NASA, Langley Research Center Hampton, VA 23681-2199
Patent Representative	212	NASA, Langley Research Center Hampton, VA 23681-2199

(b) Reports of reportable items, and disclosure of subject inventions, interim reports, final reports, utilization reports, and other reports required by the clause, as well as any correspondence with respect to such matters, should be directed to the New Technology Representative unless transmitted in response to correspondence or request from the Patent Representative. Inquiries or requests regarding disposition of rights, election of rights, or related matters should be directed to the Patent Representative. This clause shall be included in any subcontract hereunder requiring a "New Technology" clause or "Patent Rights – Retention by the Contractor (Short Form)" clause, unless otherwise authorized or directed by the Contracting Officer. The respective responsibilities and authorities of the above-named representatives are set forth in 1827.305-370 of the NASA FAR Supplement.

13. SUBMISSION OF VOUCHERS FOR PAYMENT (NASA 1852.216-87) (MAR 1998)

(a) The designated billing office for cost vouchers for purposes of the Prompt Payment clause of this contract is identified below. Public vouchers for payment of costs shall include references to the numbers of this contract and the TO.

(b) (1) If the Contractor is authorized to submit interim cost vouchers directly to the NASA paying office, the original voucher should be submitted to:

Attn: Financial Management Division, MS 175  
NASA Langley Research Center  
Hampton, VA 23681-2199

(2) For any period that the Defense Contract Audit Agency has authorized the Contractor to submit interim cost vouchers directly to the Government paying office, interim vouchers are not required to be sent to the Auditor, and are considered to be provisionally approved for payment, subject to final audit.

(3) Copies of vouchers should be submitted as directed by the Contracting Officer.

(c) If the Contractor is not authorized to submit interim cost vouchers directly to the paying office as described in paragraph (b), the Contractor shall prepare and submit vouchers as follows:

(1) One original Standard Form (SF) 1034, SF 1035, or equivalent Contractor's attachment to:

*TBD—Insert DCAA address*

(2) Five copies of SF 1034, SF 1035A, or equivalent Contractor's attachment to the following offices by insertion in the memorandum block of their names and addresses:

- (i) Copy 1 NASA Contracting Officer;
- (ii) Copy 2 Auditor;
- (iii) Copy 3 Contractor;
- (iv) Copy 4 Contract administration office; and
- (v) Copy 5 GSA Contracting Office

(3) The Contracting Officer may designate other recipients as required.

(d) Payment of fee will be by unilateral modification in accordance with Paragraph 7 above.

(e) In the event that amounts are withheld from payment in accordance with provisions of this contract, a separate voucher for the amount withheld will be required before payment for that amount may be made.

14. LIST OF INSTALLATION-ACCOUNTABLE PROPERTY AND SERVICES (NASA 18-52.245-77) (JUL 1997)

In accordance with the clause at 1852.245-71, Installation-Accountable Government Property, the Contractor is authorized use of the types of property and services listed below, to the extent they are available, in the performance of this TO within the physical borders of the installation which may include buildings and space owned or directly leased by NASA in close proximity to the installation, if so designated by the Contracting Officer.

(a) Office space, furniture, work area space, and utilities for 103 contractor personnel (including those employees assigned to the GEOLAB, DVAL, and GIS as indicated in 14(b)(3) below). Government telephones are available for official purposes only.

(b) Equipment specified in task assignments.

(1) If the Contractor acquires property, title to which vests in the Government pursuant to other provisions of this contract, this property also shall become accountable to the Government upon its entry into Government records as required by the clause at 1852.245-71, Installation-Accountable Government Property.

(2) The Contractor shall not bring to the installation for use under this TO any property owned or leased by the Contractor, or other property that the Contractor is accountable for under any other Government contract, without the Contracting Officer's prior written approval.

(3) Equipment to support the Data Visualization and Animation Laboratory (DVAL), the Geometry Laboratory (GEOLAB), and the Geographical Information System (GIS) laboratory will be listed in the appropriate TA's and the Government retains accountability for this property under the clause at 1852.245-71, Installation-Accountable Government Property.

(c) Safety and fire protection for Contractor personnel located on-site.

(d) Medical treatment of a first-aid nature for Contractor personnel injuries or illnesses sustained during on-site duty.

(e) Cafeteria privileges for Contractor employees during normal operating hours.

(f) The user responsibilities of the Contractor are defined in paragraph (a) of the clause at 1852.245-71, Installation-Accountable Government Property.

(g) Building maintenance for facilities occupied by Contractor personnel.

(h) The Government will provide and install the high speed data link interface equipment at both ends of the data circuit (See Section 2 of the SOW).

#### 15. PROVIDING FACILITIES TO CONTRACTORS

(a) In accordance with FAR 45.302-1, it is policy of the Government that Contractors shall furnish all facilities required for performing Government contracts. "Facilities" include general purpose, off-the-shelf equipment, machine tools, test equipment, and vehicles. "Facilities" do not include material, special test equipment, special tooling or agency-peculiar property. Regarding the Millennia contract terminology, this policy also encompasses "Tools" as defined in C.5 and H.4.2, unless otherwise specified in TA's.

(b) In keeping with the policy set forth in FAR 45.302-1, the Contractor shall supply and maintain automatic data processing (ADP) equipment and software (such as desktop office product tools, configuration management software, programming language compilers) for their use on this TO. Specialized software, hardware, and test equipment required on a TA basis will either be directly charged to the TA or may be provided as Government furnished.

#### 16. ROLE OF NASA LANGLEY RESEARCH CENTER FOR GOVERNMENT/CONTRACTOR INTERFACE

The following describes the interface methods to be utilized by the Government in the assignment of work. Notwithstanding paragraph G.7 of the contract, the following clarifies GSA and NASA Langley Research Center responsibilities for TO administration:

(a) The GSA Contracting Officer will issue, modify, and administer the basic TO. The NASA Langley Contracting Officer will issue, modify, and administer TA's issued under the basic TO. The NASA Contracting Officer will also issue incremental funding modifications to the TO. The Government reserves the right to require tracking and reporting of funding to the TA level.



(b) The Contracting Officer's Representative (COR) appointed under this TO will be a NASA Langley Research Center (LaRC) employee. At NASA Langley, this individual is referred to as a Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR). The acronyms "COR" and "COTR" can be used interchangeably.

(c) The NASA LaRC Contracting Officer will also assign day-to-day Contract Administration functions at the TA level to a NASA LaRC Contract Specialist. The NASA Contract Specialist will provide any necessary contractual interpretation or guidance related to the TA's. Langley's management team will therefore consist primarily of three persons: the LaRC Contracting Officer, Contract Specialist, and COR.

(d) All modifications to the basic TO (except incremental funding) will be issued by GSA.

(e) Notwithstanding H.6.2, H.6.3, H.6.4, and H.6.5 of the contract, Langley Research Center will coordinate meeting and travel schedules, coordinate correspondence, and will provide any necessary technical direction related to Task Assignments. As needed, NASA LaRC will also participate in discussions with the contractor related to contract problems and their resolutions.

17. RESERVED

18. KEY PERSONNEL

Pursuant to H.9.2 of the contract, the following individuals are designated as Key Personnel for this TO:

TBD (Insert name), Program Manager  
(Others if proposed)

19. OPTIONS

The Contractor hereby grants to the Government options to extend the term of the TO for six additional periods of 12 months each and a final seventh period of 15 months. Such options are to be exercisable by issuance of a unilateral modification issued no later than 30 days before TO expiration date. Upon exercise of such option(s) by the Government, the following items will be increased by the amount specified below for each option period.

<u>Item</u>	<u>First Option Period</u>	<u>Second Option Period</u>	<u>Third Option Period</u>	<u>Fourth Option Period</u>
Period of Performance (Paragraph 9.)	12 months	12 months	12 months	12 months
Estimated Cost (Paragraph 2.)	\$	\$	\$	\$
Max. Award Fee (Para. 2.)	\$	\$	\$	\$

<u>Item</u>	<u>Fifth Option Period</u>	<u>Sixth Option Period</u>	<u>Seventh Option Period</u>
Period of Performance (Paragraph 9.)	12 months	12 months	15 months
Estimated Cost (Para. 2.)	\$	\$	\$
Max. Award Fee (Para. 2.)	\$	\$	\$

20. SMALL, SMALL DISADVANTAGED, AND WOMEN-OWNED SMALL BUSINESS  
SUBCONTRACTING PLAN -- TASK ORDER REPORTING

The approved Contractor Small Business Subcontracting Plan for this Task Order is attached hereto as Exhibit D and is hereby made a part of this TO.

21. SECURITY PROGRAM/FOREIGN NATIONAL EMPLOYEE INVESTIGATIVE REQUIREMENTS  
(LaRC 52.204-91) (FEB 2000)

Foreign nationals must meet the eligibility requirements outlined in NPG 1371.2 prior to performing any work under a contract. Eligibility determinations will be based solely on the scientific and technical contributions of the contractor, as outlined in the statement of work. Foreign nationals who meet the eligibility requirements will undergo a rigorous approval and investigative process prior to physical access to the Center and/or to NASA information. Foreign nationals must be sponsored by a NASA Civil Service employee. The sponsor must submit a formal request to the Security Office for access to the Center and/or NASA information, to include electronic information. The request will be processed through the Center's Export Administrator and subject to approval by the International Visits Coordinator. Normal processing time for a request is between 60 and 90 days depending on the nationality of the foreign national. All approvals will be for a maximum of one year, and must be resubmitted annually. Following approval, the foreign national will undergo a National Agency Check Investigation (NACI). As part of the NACI, the foreign national will submit a "Name Check Request" (NASA Form 531) and a completed "applicant" fingerprint card, to the LaRC Security Office, Mail Stop 450. Normal processing time for a NACI is between 90 to 120 days. Until the NACI is completed and favorably adjudicated, the foreign national will require complete escort from entry onto and exit off of the Center, and will not be allowed access to electronic information unless approved by the Center Information Technology Security Manager. Upon completion of the NACI, the foreign national will only be granted unescorted access to an approved workplace and to designated open areas during normal weekday work hours between 6:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. The foreign national will not be granted access during non-work hours, weekends, and holidays. Derogatory information developed concerning the foreign national may be grounds for visit termination.

22. SECURITY CLASSIFICATION REQUIREMENTS (1852.204-75) (SEP 1989)

Performance under this TO will involve access to and/or generation of classified information, work in a security area, or both, up to the level of SECRET. See FAR Clause 52.204-2 of the contract and Exhibit F, DD Form 254, TO Security Classification Specification.

23. SECURITY REQUIREMENTS FOR UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY RESOURCES  
(1852.204-76) (JUL 2000)

(a) The Contractor shall comply with the security requirements outlined in NASA Policy Directive (NPD) 2810.1, Security of Information Technology, and NASA Procedures and Guidelines (NPG) 2810.1, Security of Information Technology. These policies apply to all IT systems and networks under NASA's purview operated by or on behalf of the Federal Government, regardless of location.

(b) (1) The Contractor shall ensure compliance by its employees with Federal directives and guidelines that deal with IT Security including, but not limited to, OMB Circular A-130, Management of Federal Information Resources, OMB Circular A-130 Appendix III, Security of Federal Automated Information Resources, the Computer Security Act of 1987 (40 U.S.C. 1441 et seq.), and all applicable Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS).

(2) All Federally owned information is considered sensitive to some degree and must be appropriately protected by the Contractor as specified in applicable IT Security Plans. Types of sensitive information that may be found on NASA systems that the Contractor may have access to include, but are not limited to --

- (i) Privacy Act information (5 U.S.C. 552a et seq.);
- (ii) Export Controlled Data, (e.g. Resources protected by the International Traffic in Arms Regulations (22 CFR Parts 120-130)).

(3) The Contractor shall ensure that all systems connected to a NASA network or operated by the Contractor for NASA conform with NASA and Center security policies and procedures.

(c) (1) The Contractor's screening of Contractor personnel will be conducted in accordance with NPG 2810.1, Section 4.5 for personnel requiring unescorted or unsupervised physical or electronic access to NASA systems, programs, and data.

(2) The Contractor shall ensure that all such employees have at least a National Agency Check investigation. The Contractor shall submit a personnel security questionnaire (NASA Form 531), Name Check Request for National Agency Check (NAC) investigation, and Standard Form 85P, Questionnaire for Public Trust Positions (for specified sensitive positions), and a Fingerprint Card (FD-258 with NASA overprint in Origin Block) to the Center Chief of Security for each Contractor employee requiring screening. The required forms may be obtained from the Center Chief of Security. In the event that the NAC is not satisfactory, access shall not be granted. At the option of the Government, background screenings may not be required for employees with recent or current Federal Government investigative clearances.

(3) The Contractor shall have an employee checkout process that ensures --

(i) Return of badges, keys, electronic access devices and NASA equipment;

(ii) Notification to NASA of planned employee terminations at least three days in advance of the employee's departure. In the case of termination for cause, NASA shall be notified immediately. All NASA accounts and/or network access granted terminated employees shall be disabled immediately upon the employee's separation from the Contractor; and

(iii) That the terminated employee has no continuing access to systems under the operation of the Contractor for NASA. Any access must be disabled the day the employee separates from the Contractor.

(4) Granting a non-permanent resident alien (foreign national) access to NASA IT resources requires special authorization. The Contractor shall obtain authorization from the Center Chief of Security prior to granting a non-permanent resident alien access to NASA IT systems and networks.

(d) (1) The Contractor shall ensure that its employees with access to NASA information resources receive annual IT security awareness and training in NASA IT Security policies, procedures, computer ethics, and best practices.

(2) The Contractor shall employ an effective method for communicating to all its employees and assessing that they understand any Information Technology Security policies and guidance provided by the Center Information Technology Security Manager (CITSM) and/or Center CIO Representative as part of the new employee briefing process. The Contractor shall ensure that all employees represent that they have read and understand any new Information Technology Security policy and guidance provided by the CITSM and Center CIO Representative over the duration of the Task Order.

(3) The Contractor shall ensure that its employees performing duties as system and network administrators in addition to performing routine maintenance possess specific IT security skills. These skills include the following:

- (i) Utilizing software security tools.
- (ii) Analyzing logging and audit data.
- (iii) Responding and reporting to computer or network incidents as per NPG 2810.1.
- (iv) Preserving electronic evidence as per NPG 2810.1.
- (v) Recovering to a safe state of operation.

(4) The Contractor shall provide training to employees to whom they plan to assign system administrator roles. That training shall provide the employees with a full level of proficiency to meet all NASA system administrators' functional requirements. The Contractor shall have methods or processes to document that employees have mastered the training material, or have the required knowledge and skills. This applies to all system administrator requirements.

(e) The Contractor shall promptly report to the Center IT Security Manager any suspected computer or network security incidents occurring on any system operated by the Contractor for NASA or connected to a NASA network. If it is validated that there is an incident, the Contractor shall provide access to the affected system(s) and system records to NASA and any NASA designated third party so that a detailed investigation can be conducted.

(f) The Contractor shall develop procedures and implementation plans that ensure that IT resources leaving the control of an assigned user (such as being reassigned, repaired, replaced, or excessed) have all NASA data and sensitive application software permanently removed by a NASA-approved technique. NASA-owned applications acquired via a "site license" or "server license" shall be removed prior to the resources leaving NASA's use. Damaged IT storage media for which data recovery is not possible shall be degaussed or destroyed. If the assigned task is to be assumed by another duly authorized person, at the Government's option, the IT resources may remain intact for assignment and use of the new user.

(g) The Contractor shall afford NASA, including the Office of Inspector General, access to the Contractor's and subcontractor's facilities, installations, operations, documentation, databases and personnel. Access shall be provided to the extent required to carry out a program of IT inspection, investigation and audit to safeguard against threats and hazards to the integrity, availability and confidentiality of NASA data, and to preserve evidence of computer crime.

(h) (1) The Contractor shall document all vulnerability testing and risk assessments conducted in accordance with NPG 2810.1 and any other IT security requirements specified in the contract or as directed by the Contracting Officer.

(2) The results of these tests shall be provided to the Center IT Security Manager. Any Contractor system(s) connected to a NASA network or operated by the Contractor for NASA may be subject to vulnerability assessment or penetration testing as part of the Center's IT security compliance assessment and the Contractor shall be required to assist in the completion of these activities.

(3) A decision to accept any residual risk shall be the responsibility of NASA. The Contractor shall notify the NASA system owner and the NASA data owner within 5 working days if new or unanticipated threats or hazards are discovered by the Contractor, made known to the Contractor, or if existing safeguards fail to function effectively. The Contractor shall make appropriate risk reduction recommendations to the NASA system owner and/or the NASA data owner and document the risk or modifications in the IT Security Plan.

(i) The Contractor shall develop a procedure to accomplish the recording and tracking of IT System Security Plans, including updates, and IT system penetration and vulnerability tests for all NASA systems under its control or for systems outsourced to them to be managed on behalf of NASA. The Contractor must report the results of these actions directly to the Center IT Security Manager.

(j) When directed by the Contracting Officer, the Contractor shall submit for NASA approval a post-award security implementation plan outlining how the Contractor intends to meet the requirements of NPG 2810.1. The plan shall subsequently be incorporated into the contract as a compliance document after receiving Government approval. The plan shall demonstrate thorough understanding of NPG 2810.1 and shall include as a minimum, the security measures and program safeguards to ensure that IT resources acquired and used by Contractor and subcontractor personnel --

(1) Are protected from unauthorized access, alteration, disclosure, or misuse of information processed, stored, or transmitted;

(2) Can maintain the continuity of automated information support for NASA missions, programs, and functions;

(3) Incorporate management, general, and application controls sufficient to provide cost-effective assurance of the systems' integrity and accuracy;

(4) Have appropriate technical, personnel, administrative, environmental, and access safeguards;

and (5) Document and follow a virus protection program for all IT resources under its control;

(6) Document and follow a network intrusion prevention program for all IT resources under its control.

(k) Prior to selecting any IT security solution, the Contractor shall consult with their Center IT Security Manager to ensure interoperability and compatibility with other systems with which there is a data or system interface requirement.

(l) The Contractor shall comply with all Federal and NASA encryption requirements for NASA flight programs (e.g., secure flight termination systems, encryption for satellite uplinks, encryption for flight and satellite command and control for both up and down link) and involve the Center Communications Security (COMSEC) Manager when selecting encryption solutions.

(m) The Contractor shall incorporate this clause in all subcontracts where the requirements identified in this clause are applicable to the performance of the subcontract.

24. OBSERVATION OF REGULATIONS AND IDENTIFICATION OF CONTRACTOR'S EMPLOYEES (LaRC 52.211-104) (MAY 1999)

(a) Observation of Regulations--In performance of that part of the contract work which may be performed at Langley Research Center or other Government installation, the Contractor shall require its employees to observe the rules and regulations as prescribed by the authorities at Langley Research Center or other installation including all applicable Federal, NASA and Langley or other local installation safety, health, environmental and security regulations.

(b) Identification Badges--At all times while on LaRC property, the Contractor shall require its employees, subcontractors and agents to wear badges which will be issued by the NASA Contract Badge and Pass Office, located at 1 Langley Boulevard (Building No. 1228). Badges shall be issued only between the hours of 6:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. Contractors will be held accountable for these badges and may be required to validate outstanding badges on an annual basis with the NASA LaRC Security Office. Immediately after employee termination or contract completion, badges shall be returned to the NASA Contract Badge and Pass Office.

25. QUALITY SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS (ISO 9001) (LaRC 52.246-95) (FEB 2000)

(a) The Contractor's quality system shall be compliant with the requirements of ANSI/ISO/ASQC Q9001-1994, Quality Systems-Model for Quality Assurance in Design, Development, Production, Installation, and Servicing. If the Contractor's quality system is not already compliant with the requirements of ANSI/ISO/ASQC Q9001-1994, the Contractor shall develop quality system procedures and associated documentation to become compliant within nine months after the TO effective date. The Contractor's quality system shall remain in compliance with ANSI/ISO/ASQC Q9001-1994 during the term of the contract. The Government reserves the right to audit the Contractor's quality system at any time. The requirements of this clause are not required to flow down to subcontractors.

(b) "Compliant" as used in this clause means that the contractor has defined, documented, and will continually implement during the term of the contract management-approved methods of operation that conform to the requirements given in the above-cited International Standard.

26. LIMITATION OF FUTURE CONTRACTING (1852.209-71) (DEC 1988)

(a) The Contracting Officer has determined that this acquisition may give rise to a potential organizational conflict of interest. Accordingly, the attention of prospective offerors is invited to FAR Subpart 9.5--Organizational Conflicts of Interest.

(b) The nature of this conflict is the handling of various types of information including, but not limited to, Privacy Act information, Source Selection information, Patent information, and Export Control information. In addition, the Contractor may participate in design reviews with the Government and other contractor representatives to define operational improvement and plan implementation, and have access to other company's proprietary data. Additionally, a conflict may involve the preparation of technical specifications for hardware, software and/or IT services.

(c) The restrictions upon future contracting are as follows:

(1) If the Contractor, under the terms of this TO, or through the performance of TA's pursuant to this TO, is required to develop specifications or statements of work that are to be incorporated into a solicitation, the Contractor shall be ineligible to perform the work described in that solicitation as a prime or first-tier subcontractor under an ensuing NASA contract. This restriction shall remain in effect for a reasonable time, as agreed to by the Contracting Officer and the Contractor, sufficient to avoid unfair competitive advantage or potential bias (this time shall in no case be less than the duration of the initial production contract). NASA shall not unilaterally require the Contractor to prepare such specifications or statements of work under this TO.

(2) To the extent that the work under this TO requires access to proprietary, business confidential, or financial data of other companies, and as long as these data remain proprietary or confidential, the Contractor shall protect these data from unauthorized use and disclosure and agrees not to use them to compete with those other companies.

27. TASK ORDER CLOSEOUT (LaRC 52.242-90) (MAY 1999)

(a) Reassignment--After receipt, inspection, and acceptance by the Government of all required articles and/or services, and resolution of any pending issues raised during the Period of Performance, this Task Order will then be processed by the NASA Langley Research Center Contracting Officer for Closeout. All transactions subsequent to the physical completion of the Task Order should, therefore, be addressed to the NASA Contracting Officer for Closeout. GSA will execute a final modification to the TO at final TO closeout.

(b) "Quick Closeout"--Paragraph (f) of the Allowable Cost and Payment clause of the contract addresses the "Quick Closeout Procedure" delineated by Subpart 42.7 of the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR). It should be understood that the said procedure applies to the settlement of indirect costs for a specific contract in advance of the determination of final indirect cost rates when the amount of unsettled indirect cost to be allocated to the contract is relatively insignificant. Therefore, the "Quick Closeout" procedure does not preclude the provisions of Paragraph (d) of the Allowable Cost and Payment clause nor does it constitute a waiver of final audit of the Contractor's Completion Voucher.

(c) Completion Voucher Submittal--Notwithstanding the provisions of the Allowable Cost and Payment clause, as soon as practicable after settlement of the Contractor's indirect cost rates applicable to performance of the task order, the Contractor shall submit a Completion Voucher as required by the aforesaid clause. The Completion Voucher shall be supported by a cumulative claim and reconciliation statement and executed NASA Forms 778, Contractor's Release, and 780, Contractor's Assignment of Refunds, Rebates, Credits, and Other Amounts. Unless directed otherwise by the GSA Contracting Officer for Contract Closeout, the Contractor shall forward the said Completion Voucher directly to the cognizant Government Agency to which audit functions under the task order have been delegated.

28. SAFETY AND HEALTH AND SECURITY IMPLEMENTATION PLANS

The Government-approved Safety and Health Plan and Security Implementation Plan are hereby incorporated by reference and are in full effect as if they were listed in their entirety.

29. FEDERAL ACQUISITION REGULATION (48 CFR CHAPTER 1) CLAUSES BY REFERENCE and FULL TEXT:

A. The following FAR and NASA FAR Supplement clauses are applicable to this TO by reference:

<u>CLAUSE NUMBER</u>	<u>TITLE AND DATE</u>
52.227-14	Rights in Data General (Oct 1995) as modified by NASA FAR Supplement 1852.227-14
52.227-19	Commercial Computer Software—Restricted Rights as modified by NASA FAR Supplement 1852.227-19

## NASA FAR SUPPLEMENT (48 CFR CHAPTER 18) CLAUSES

<u>CLAUSE NUMBER</u>	<u>TITLE AND DATE</u>
1852.208-81	Restrictions on Printing and Duplicating (AUG 1993)
1852.215-84	Ombudsman (OCT 1996) Insert “Belinda Adams, direct inquiries to Sandra S. Ray, (757) 864-2428”
1852.216-89	Assignment and Release Forms (JUL 1997)
1852.219-74	Use of Rural Area Small Businesses (SEP 1990)
1852.219-75	Small, Small Disadvantaged, and Women-Owned Small Business Subcontracting Reporting (JUL 1997)
1852.219-76	NASA 8 Percent Goal (JUL 1997)
1852.223-70	Safety and Health (JUL 2000)
1852.223-74	Drug and Alcohol-Free Workforce (MAR 1996)
1852.223-75	Major Breach of Safety or Security (JUL 2000)
1852.225-70	Export Licenses (FEB 2000)
1852.227-70	New Technology (NOV 1998)
1852.228-75	Minimum Insurance Coverage (OCT 1988) supercedes GSA contract clause
1852.235-70	Center for AeroSpace Information (JUN 1998)
1852.237-70	Emergency Evacuation Procedures (DEC 1988)
1852.242-72	Observance of Legal Holidays (AUG 1992) ALT I (SEP 1989) and ALT II (SEP 1989)
1852.242-73	NASA Contractor Financial Management Reporting (JUL 1997)
1852.243-71	Shared Savings (March 1997)
1852.245-70	Contractor Requests for Government-Owned Equipment (JUL 1997)
1852.245-71	Installation-Accountable Government Property (JUN 1998)
1852.245-73	Financial Reporting of NASA Property in the Custody of Contractors (SEP 1996)

B. The following FAR clause is applicable to this TO.

30. CLAUSES INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE (FAR 52.252-2) (FEB 1998)

This contract incorporates one or more clauses by reference, with the same force and effect as if they were given in full text. Upon request, the Contracting Officer will make their full text available. Also, the full text of a clause may be accessed electronically at these addresses:

<http://www.arnet.gov/far/>  
<http://www.hq.nasa.gov/office/procurement/regs/nfstoc.htm>

31. LIST OF EXHIBITS

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 Exhibit C, Award Fee Evaluation Plan  
 Exhibit D, Subcontracting Plan (to be submitted)  
 Exhibit E, Contract Documentation Requirements  
 Exhibit F, Contract Security Classification Specification, DD Form 254  
 Exhibit G, Procedures for the Preparation and Approval of Contractor Reports for Langley Research Center, Form P-72

32. LIST OF ATTACHMENTS

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**EXHIBIT A -- STATEMENT OF WORK**

**FOR**

**CONSOLIDATED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES**

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The NASA Langley Research Center (LaRC) in Hampton, VA, has been instrumental in shaping aerospace history for more than eight decades. Established in 1917 as the first national civil aeronautics laboratory, LaRC has become a comprehensive, world-class center for aeronautics, earth science, space technology, and structures and materials research. Further information on the LaRC mission and its contribution to the NASA vision can be obtained from the web site <http://www.larc.nasa.gov>.

To accomplish its mission, the Center depends heavily on state-of-the-art information technology (IT), embracing computer systems ranging from laptop and desktop personal computers to supercomputers; network systems ranging from building-dedicated through Center-wide; data storage facilities ranging from diskettes to massive, centrally accessed tape storage systems; and all of the associated operating, input/output, data transfer, data management, and data analysis systems.

The Center has increasingly relied upon contractors to provide IT services. At the present time, several IT related contracts are in place, including Scientific Computer Operations, Maintenance, and Communications (SCOMAC) Services; Computer Analysis and Programming Services (CAPS); and Business and Administrative Management Information Services (BAMIS).

It is the intent of the Center to consolidate IT activities. As a first step in this direction, the Center has subscribed to the Outsourcing Desktop Initiative for NASA (ODIN) for the provision of desktop computing, networking, and telecommunications capability at the Center. The intent of this Consolidated Information Technology Services (CONITS) Task Order is to consolidate most of the functions of SCOMAC, CAPS, and BAMIS that are not covered by ODIN.

In general, the ODIN contract provides a broad range of general-purpose desktop computing support services including system administration, hardware and software maintenance, and help desk assistance. The ODIN approach is designed to offer a comprehensive, end-to-end desktop service for those systems that are considered to be fully functional and mature and in providing an operational system that is stable. The CONITS Task Order, on the other hand, provides computing support services (including system administration and hardware and software maintenance) for systems that are either uniquely configured or highly specialized in function. The CONITS services typically involve a wide range of support functions including those for non-standard operating systems, system interfaces, or for use within a dynamic environment such as a research laboratory or test facility. The CONITS Task Order provides system administration as a component of integrated support. Integrated support encompasses all activities necessary to develop, deploy, upgrade, operate, and maintain a production system which delivers an IT capability.

## 2. SCOPE

CONITS will include a broad scope of IT services including new and emerging technologies that will evolve over the life of the contract. The scope of support to be provided under this Task Order is intended to cover all requirements for "Information Technology" including computers, ancillary equipment, software, firmware, services, and related resources.

CONITS services are divided into the following categories:

- General IT Support Services
- Systems and Applications Development Services
- Work Area Specific Services

General IT Support Services include, but are not limited to, systems administration, systems maintenance, database administration, and customer support. Section 4 more fully describes the requirements of this category of work.

Systems and Application Development Services embraces new software and modifications to existing software (other than those required for maintenance). Section 5 more fully describes the requirements for this category of work.

Work-Area Specific Services are similar in scope to General IT Support Services, but are specialized to particular work areas that are included in the CONITS effort. Section 6 more fully describes the requirements of this category of work.

Specific work requirements for CONITS will be furnished by the Government through the issuance of Task Assignments (TA). Work under the CONITS Task Order is not limited to the work areas given in Section 6. Technical performance standards and metrics will be provided in the TA. All other standards and metrics will be provided in the Award Fee Evaluation Plan.

Software development, operations, and maintenance under CONITS apply to software at several levels of risk and control from minimal to critical (as it relates to impact to the Government) that will be specified by the Government in TAs.

The Contractor shall, except as otherwise specified in TAs, furnish all personnel, training, facilities, equipment, materials, and transportation, necessary to perform these services. In addition, any contractor-provided equipment connected to the LaRC network shall comply with NASA Procedures and Guidelines (NPG) 2810.1. While the majority of work is directly in support of LaRC at the Center, other industry and government partners of LaRC are at times supported. This support may be provided at remote sites. Remote support is required for, but is not limited to, Section 6.17, Geographic Information Systems of this SOW.

The Contractor shall provide a high-speed data link (minimum T-1 capability) to connect the Contractor's offsite facility to the Government's LaRCNET Local Area Network (LAN). This high-speed data line must be ethernet compatible.

### **3. TASK ASSIGNMENT PROCEDURE**

The Contractor shall provide IT services on an "as needed" basis in response to TAs issued by the Government. TAs will be initiated by a NASA civil servant (requestor), with the concurrence of the Task Area Monitor (TAM) and Contracting Officer's Representative (COR), and will provide the specific details of the technical requirements, any Government furnished equipment or Government furnished information, and a schedule of milestones and deliverables. Within 2 weeks (or as specified in the TA), the contractor shall deliver an electronic or written task plan. Following a review by the Government and negotiation with the contractor, the LaRC Contracting Officer (CO) or designee will authorize the contractor to begin the work.

#### **3.1. Task Assignment Initiation**

All TAs will be generated in writing by a NASA civil servant (requestor) and initiated with the concurrence of the TAM and/or COR, and may include the following information:

- Date of Initiation
- Task Assignment Number
- Title, Objective, and Background Information
- Description of work to be performed (including all tasks, deliverables, and performance metrics)
- Inventory of equipment and software with cross-reference to Section 4 requirements.
- Required milestones, deliverables, delivery dates, and period of performance
- Required delivery date for the Task Plan
- Acceptance criteria
- Software class/control level for Section 5 requirements
- Development approach (i.e., waterfall, spiral, evolutionary) for Section 5 requirements
- Required software life cycle phases for Section 5 requirements
- Requirements for installation, operations, or maintenance
- Documentation requirements
- Training requirements
- Joint review requirements (including the requirement for the contractor to document and distribute all joint review meetings and discussions and associated action item list)
- Government estimated cost and fee

Government furnished items

Name and contact information for the Requester, Software Manager (if applicable), and TAM

Signatures blocks for the LaRC COR, TAM, Requester, and CO.

### **3.2. Amendments to the Task Assignment**

In the case where the TA requires changes, the Government and contractor shall arrive at a general agreement to the changes.

Changes that do not affect scope or cost shall be documented by the contractor in the form of amendments to the Task Plan and must be reviewed and authorized by the requester, TAM, and COR. Changes that affect scope or cost shall follow the same approval process as the original TA.

In the case of work out of scope of the CONITS, the contractor shall notify the COR in writing and shall not proceed with any work.

### **3.3. Electronic Task Assignment System**

The contractor shall establish, implement, and maintain a management control system required for planning, organizing, and controlling Task Order activities. The Contractor shall automate the task flow process as defined above in a manner that is compatible with the Center Information Architecture (see Section 5.3); i.e., a COTS task assignment system or one developed within the Center Information Architecture. The automated system shall allow for the electronic initiation, routing, review, approval, issuance, and modification of Task Assignments with the use of password security for the Government officials identified above in this section with initiation, editing, and re-routing by each approver as needed, and with automatic notification to the approvers of the need for approval. The contractor shall track individual TA estimated cost, award fee, funded cost and fee, cumulative Task Order Estimated cost and fee, and funding limitations. In addition, the contractor's automated management system shall track the status of Task Assignments from planning to completion and record projected and actual resources data for each Task Assignment with graphic, tabular, and narrative descriptions. The contractor's tracking system shall also provide input data to the Task Order award fee evaluation process by tracking each task assignment's performance metrics for proposal response, timeliness, costs, and other metrics required by the Government to track and score performance. These Task Assignment data shall be the same information that is in the monthly progress and financial reports required in Exhibit E, Task Order Documentation Requirements. At the discretion of the Contracting Officer and the COR, these electronic versions may be used in lieu of their respective paper copies.

## **4. GENERAL IT SUPPORT SERVICES**

General support services are defined at a basic level as applicable to many TAs. The contractor shall perform any or all of the functions stated in this section for systems that will be specified in TAs. A cross-reference will be provided in the TA indicating what functions of Section 4 will be required for each system in the inventory of equipment and software.

Services will be provided for a prime shift of 8 hours per day beginning no earlier than 7:00 a.m., Monday through Friday, except for Federal holidays and other days when the Center is closed. Where more rigorous requirements exist, they will be defined in TA's.

Software is classified as system software, database software, or application software. System software consists of operating systems; the native file system; distributed file systems such as the Network File System (NFS) and the Distributed File System (DFS) under the Distributed Computing Environment (DCE); system and user command suites that usually accompany the release of an operating system; and general-purpose software such as browsers, e-mail clients, and office programs. Database software includes engines as well as associated database tools. Application software is that software which provides specific capabilities in pursuit of the Center's mission. Hardware generally consists of the central processing units, memory, peripheral devices (such as output devices, disks, and tapes), adapters, and network equipment.

#### **4.1. System Administration**

The system administration function pertains to providing a variety of services involving hardware and systems software. Systems administration functions must be integrated with functions associated with database software (database administration) and applications support specific to the task assignment. System administration requirements include:

##### **4.1.1. System Configuration Management**

- a) Maintain a configuration management system (CMS) to track the inventory of equipment and software for all systems supported under task assignments. The CMS shall show hardware configurations, versions of installed software and associated documentation, maintenance status, software license status, and status of planned upgrades.
- b) Provide and use a centralized asset management tool for this service that is compatible in data format and reporting to the one used by the ODIN contract.
- c) Develop and maintain a historical configuration tracking log that identifies by date and time all changes, modifications, and upgrades that occur on systems supported on task assignments.

##### **4.1.2. System Upgrade and Improvement**

- a) Monitor user requirements and system performance. Monitor the availability of updates and upgrades to installed equipment and system software and the availability of new equipment and system software that would apply to the supported system. Participate in system reviews and recommend the installation of updates, upgrades, and new equipment and system software as appropriate.
- b) Plan for the installation of new or upgraded equipment and system software. This includes the consideration of cost, schedule, performance, power, space limitations, networking, workflow, and the impact on other elements and users of the system.
- c) Following Government approval, install and verify the operability of new or upgraded equipment and system software. Minimize unavailability of system services.
- d) Recommend operational improvements and implement them upon Government approval.
- e) Inform users of impacts from system upgrades and improvements.

##### **4.1.3. Operations**

- a) Perform routine operations such as power up and shut down.
- b) Interface with equipment vendors or service providers for the maintenance of equipment and software. Monitor the currency of maintenance contracts and software licenses.
- c) Interface with network service providers for access to networks and to resolve problems associated with network access.
- d) Diagnose anomalies in the operation of equipment or system software. Provide timely fixes or work-arounds where possible. Report and document problems requiring correction. When necessary, interface with other IT service providers to resolve problems. Initiate corrective action. Maintain trouble report tracking system to give the current status of problems and their resolution. Follow up to ensure problem resolution. Response to problems during prime shift will be within 2 hours of notification or as specified in task assignments.
- e) Develop a disaster/recovery plan in accordance with NPG 2810.1. Work with other cognizant IT personnel (e.g., database administrators and other application or data managers) in developing the plan.
- f) Backup and restore files in accordance with disaster/recovery plan.
- g) Monitor the operation of the system and adjust the configuration and system parameters as necessary to maximize operational efficiency.
- h) Create and modify scripts that increase functionality or enhance system operation or performance.

#### 4.1.4. Documentation

- a) Develop, deliver, and maintain the following documentation as a minimum:
- Configuration management plan
  - Disaster/recovery plan
  - Operational procedures

Additional documentation may be defined in task assignments.

#### 4.2. **Information Technology Security Administration**

NPG 2810.1 dictates that "...a properly trained System Administrator [System Security Administrator] is assigned as the focal point for the security of each system or application."

Baseline IT security requirements are given in Appendix A of NPG 2810.1. These requirements vary, depending on the information category of the system. The baseline information categories are:

MSN	Mission
BRT	Business and Restricted Technology
SER	Scientific, Engineering, and Research
ADM	Administrative
PUB	Public Access

One of these categories is assigned to each system identified in a TA and determines the security requirements for that system as stated in Appendix A of NPG 2810.1. The IT security metrics for each of the services given in this section are accordingly dependent upon the assigned category.

The contractor shall identify a System Security Administrator as the focal point for the security of each identified system. This person shall be trained in IT security to the degree required for the information category of the system.

The System Security Administrator shall assist the Government Line Manager (see NPG 2810.1) in the development and implementation of Security Plans for the assigned system or application.

The System Security Administrator shall have the following duties, as given in paragraph 2.2.8 of NPG 2810.1:

- Making sure that all users complete an Account Request Document approved by a Government management official responsible for the individual (e.g., manager, sponsor, task manager) for all user accounts and that the information gathered is handled in accordance with the Privacy Act.
- Promptly disabling access to a user's account if the user is identified as having left the Center, changed assignments, changed contracts, or completed work on a grant or other agreement, or is no longer requiring system access. Written authorization will be required from the Government management official, who originally authorized the account, to reactivate the user's account. (Digitally signed e-mail is acceptable).
- Granting accounts only to individuals who have had the appropriate personnel screening. The Center IT Security Manager will provide a process for verifying that appropriate screening has been completed and that the individual is eligible to be issued an account.
- Granting accounts to foreign nationals without permanent resident alien status only with prior approval by the CCS [Center Chief of Security].
- Performing annual self-inspections of their systems and reporting the findings to their line managers and the cognizant organizational CSO [Computer Security Official] or designee. The Center IT Security Manager will provide guidance for conducting self-inspections.
- Reporting IT security incidents.
- In response to an IT security incident, taking necessary actions to prevent further damage to their systems and documenting their actions.

- h) Identifying personnel who will be responsible for systems if an IT security incident requiring immediate attention occurs when the System Administrator is absent. The names and contact information for these personnel will be provided to their management and their organizational CSO.
- i) Periodically using tools to verify and/or monitor compliance to password guidelines.
- j) Using IT security tools to assist in detecting modifications to the system and monitoring audit logs.
- k) Ensuring that security controls are in place and functioning.

#### **4.3. Hardware Maintenance**

Hardware maintenance as defined in this section includes the repair and replacement of hardware components necessary to ensure operability of the covered equipment or to return the covered equipment to a fully operational status. The covered equipment includes those items that are specifically identified in a TA. Services that shall be provided in satisfying the hardware maintenance requirements include:

- a) Diagnose problem or failure.
- b) Repair or replace failing components. Replacement parts shall meet or exceed Original Equipment manufacturer's standards.
- c) Verify that repair or replacement performs to manufacturer's standards.
- d) Verify that the performance of the system following the repair or replacement of failing components, meets or exceeds the performance of the system prior to system failure.
- e) Reload any files and/or data (if accessible) that are contained on a replaced or failing component before returning the system to operational status.
- f) Return any replaced components that contain classified data to the user.
- g) Cleanse (to ensure that data is fully erased and not retrievable or accessible by any means) any replaced data storage equipment that contains unclassified data prior to disposal or returning to the supplier, and maintain a documented log to indicate that this action was completed.

#### **4.4. System Software Maintenance**

System software maintenance as defined in this section includes the services required to ensure continuing operation of system software. All supported systems software will be licensed to the Government and will be specifically identified in a TA. Services that shall be provided in satisfying the software maintenance requirements include:

- a) Analyze software failure or performance degradation.
- b) Obtain software updates and upgrades from the vendor or public domain sources (if required in individual task assignments).
- c) Install software updates as requested by the user.
- d) Verify system operation following software upgrades.
- e) Perform full system, file, and data backup prior to software upgrade.
- f) Preserve and/or restore all files and data during software upgrade.

#### **4.5. Application Management**

The application software used in support of NASA LaRC missions, business processes, and specific IT functions can be categorized as follows:

- 1) COTS software, e.g.
  - a. Hierarchical Storage Management (HSM) software for a mass storage system.
  - b. ICEM Computer Aided Design package.
  - c. Data Explorer (DX) general-purpose package for data visualization and analysis
- 2) Non-COTS software not developed locally, e.g.



- a. Automated Information Management (AIM) Program software for core business management and administration functions.
  - b. DARWIN tools for analysis of wind tunnel data.
- 3) Software developed by or for LaRC and used in production mode, e.g.
- a. Approach to Data Management, Archive, Protection, and Transmission (ADAPT) System.
  - b. Wind Tunnel Test Data Management System (WTTDMAS).
  - c. Data reduction software for processing wind tunnel test data and flight data.
  - d. Explicit Archive and Retrieval System (EARS) command suite for accessing the Distributed Mass Storage System (DMSS).
  - e. GridTool for unstructured grid generation.

Application services may be required as part of integrated support as described in Section 1, Introduction, or it can be an independent requirement. In the case of an independent requirement, the Contractor shall interface with other cognizant IT personnel to plan upgrades and resolve problems. Application management requirements include:

#### 4.5.1. Application Maintenance, Upgrade, and Improvement

- a) Develop and maintain a configuration management system to include the following:
  - Current software versions
  - Status of planned upgrades
  - License information
  - Software maintenance status
  - Locations of source code and documentation
- b) Optimize the execution of the application. Monitor the application for anomalies and respond to customer trouble reports. Analyze problems, interface with cognizant IT personnel if necessary to resolve problems. Implement corrective action.
- c) Plan for and recommend evolution of the application. For example, advise the Government on applicability of upgrades and recommend possible software solutions to identified user requirements.
- d) For COTS and non-locally developed applications, actively monitor availability of patches and upgrades. Evaluate upgrades, recommend schedule for upgrade, and inform customers of impact of upgrade.
- e) Interface with software vendors to obtain patches and upgrades. Procure software updates and upgrades from the vendor (if required in individual task assignments). Install patches as required to ensure that application remains current, secure, and reliable. Install upgrades according to schedule approved by the Government. Interface with cognizant IT personnel as necessary to ensure smooth upgrade. Perform upgrades with minimal impact to users and notify users of interruptions in application.
- f) Maintain software developed by or for LaRC. In general, the contractor shall follow the maintenance process defined in Section 5.5 of IEEE/EIA Standard 12207- Software Life Cycle Processes; however, the processes shall be tailored to the particular software package and applied with a rigor consistent with the software control class. Maintenance process requirements for the various classes of software will be further defined in a TA to be issued at TO start.
- g) Advise customers on effective use of the software.

#### 4.5.2. Documentation

- a) For COTS and non-locally developed software, maintain and make available a library of application documentation.

- b) For software developed by or for LaRC as identified under Subsection 4.5.1 (f), deliver a Maintenance Plan within two weeks of receiving the TA. The Maintenance Plan shall document the level of maintenance to be performed; how problems and/or modifications are identified, classified, prioritized, tracked, and analyzed; and the approval, implementation, and test process to be used.

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#### **4.6. Database Administration**

Database administration (DBA) as defined in this section shall be provided for those task assignments identifying a database management system (DBMS) environment, including DBMS software and associated database tools. Database administration requirements include:

##### **4.6.1. Installation of Database Software and Tools**

- a) Install and maintain new and upgraded DBMS software and associated tools on both production and development systems. Identify impacts of new and upgraded software by testing, documenting, and communicating impacts to customers before implementation.
- b) Ensure operability of the DBMS environment. Achieve a common or standard configuration for the DBMS environment to enable application developers to efficiently produce predictable results.
- c) Ensure compatibility between the DBMS and the operating system and interact with cognizant IT personnel to ensure that the system adequately supports database applications.

##### **4.6.2. Monitoring and Configuring Database Engine and Tools**

- a) Monitor activity of the database engine to determine efficiency of the database engine and applications. Manage disk space allocations, perform consistency checking, and monitor logical/recovery log.
- b) Based on the configuration of the file server and the existing and projected database workload, configure the database engine to optimize performance of database applications while minimizing effects on the rest of the file-server workload.
- c) Analyze the database workload and storage needs and plan for growth for databases and applications. Make determinations of DBMS software to support these needs, and communicate hardware/system software requirements to system administrator. Implement recommendations upon Government approval.
- d) Monitor use of the licenses for the database engines and related tools. Interface with vendors to develop software maintenance strategies and maintain current licenses.
- e) Provide solutions for allowing connections to the database engines from other platforms. These solutions will include the use of ODBC (open database connectivity) and database client tools. Provide user training in the installation and configuration of these connections as needed.

##### **4.6.3. Archiving and Restoring**

- a) Archive and restore the database instance and logical logs, and provide input into system disaster/recovery plan to ensure restoration of database. Restore data as required.
- b) Perform periodic tests (at least every 6 months) to ensure that hardware, software, and processes will function as required to support archiving and restoring of data and to verify the disaster/recovery plan.

##### **4.6.4. Security of databases and instances**

- a) Maintain security of databases by managing access and passwords in compliance with NPG 2810.1 and DBMS application-specific requirements.
- b) Assist developers with managing access privileges to tables, stored procedures and other areas of the database.
- c) Periodically (at least weekly) audit logs to identify potential security breaches.

##### **4.6.5. Documentation**

Fully document, deliver, and maintain documentation for the following:

- Current configuration of the database environment including site specific parameters and tools installed and their availability.
- Historical tracking of changes made to the DBMS environment over time.
- Operational procedures in the administration of the database environment
- Procedures to be used by end users using the database environment
- Database archive/restore strategy to be included in system disaster recovery plan

#### 4.6.6. Resolution of Problems/issues

- a) Provide troubleshooting skills to identify and solve problems/issues related to the database instance or related tools. Document these problems/issues and lessons.
- b) Interface with system administrator and application developers to develop solutions to problems and implement corrective action. Maintain trouble report tracking system to give status of problems and their resolution.

#### 4.7. **Customer Support**

ODIN will provide help desk support for the Center. The CONITS contractor shall establish a signed formal agreement with the ODIN contractor by TO start to coordinate assignment, tracking, and resolution of ODIN help desk calls pertaining to systems and applications supported by CONITS.

A basic level of customer support is required for all General IT Support Services to include:

- a) Consultation and assistance on basic use of equipment and applications.
- b) Efficient mechanism for communication between customer and IT support staff.
- c) Prompt response (within 2 hours) to user problems. Two hours commences when the call is received by the CONITS contractor.
- d) Provide and use an electronic customer request tracking system to give the current status of requests or problems and their resolution.
- e) Interface with system administrators, system security administrators, database administrators, and other application administrators as necessary to resolve the problem for the customer.

Other customer support activities such as help desk, training, and end-user documentation will be specified in task assignments.

#### 4.8. **Consultation and Training**

The contractor shall provide technical support, consulting, and coordination to ensure orderly system implementation, integration, and operation of all systems, systems software, and application software identified in task assignments. Additional consulting requirements may be identified in task assignments and include, but are not limited to:

- a) Assist the Government in defining data and information requirements, data sources, and intended end-user applications, and recommend appropriate information technology, products, and capabilities for satisfying information requirements.
- b) Design, develop, and revise training materials for systems and applications relevant to CONITS Task Order. Schedule classes, arrange logistics for classes, conduct training, validate training effectiveness, and provide information for input to student records.
- c) Perform studies analyzing new technologies, analyzing feasibility of technical approaches, defining user requirements, analyzing existing environments, identifying constraints, deriving and analyzing alternative solutions, recommending approaches and solutions, and estimating costs and benefits.

## 5. SYSTEM AND APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

Services in this category involve the development of new software or the modification of existing software to change or add to its functionality. Modifications to correct faults, improve performance or other attributes, or to adapt to a changed environment, are considered maintenance and are covered in Section 4 of this SOW. Requirements for system and application development services will be specified in TAs. They will include but will not be limited to the following:

- a) Design and development of new software packages to meet specified requirements.
- b) Design and development of new systems integrated from hardware, commercial software, and newly developed applications.
- c) Development of software applications within existing system environments; for example, a database application developed on central database servers.
- d) Modifications to existing software to change or add to its functionality.
- e) Software support to research and/or development projects that involve the continuing evolution of algorithms and techniques.

### 5.1. Work Requirements

In the planning and execution of the work as specified in the TA, the Contractor shall undertake any or all of the following activities:

- a) Requirements Analysis and Planning: Analyze requirements to determine the feasibility of providing the desired software, target computer system, computer programs, results, documentation or other deliverables.
- b) System Integration: Integrate equipment, software, communications, and processes to develop and deploy a new system or IT capability, including procurement of hardware and software if required.
- c) Software Design and Development: Design, develop, and test software to meet specified technical and quality requirements.
- d) Software Modification: Modify existing software in order to change or add to its functionality.
- e) Quality Assurance and Software Testing: Perform software quality assurance, prepare test plans, perform software acceptance testing, and document test results.
- f) Planning for Installation, Operations, or Maintenance Services: Prepare plans for these activities to follow systems or applications delivery.
- g) Documentation: Develop or update documentation such as user manuals, reference manuals, design documents, and test plans using either online or hard copy format.
- h) Problem Analysis: Perform independent analysis of mathematical, logical, system approaches and perform comparison studies of competing techniques to solve problems.
- i) Process Improvement: Collect and analyze process and product metrics. Identify, evaluate, and implement promising new technologies to improve productivity and quality.

### 5.2. Process Requirements

System and Application Development Services will be initiated through the issuance of a TA that will define the specifics of the software project. Project title, name of the LaRC software manager, software control class (defined by the Government as minimal, low, high or critical), description of requirements, constraints, and joint review schedules will be included in the TA. Life-cycle requirements, development approach, risk assessment, role of contractor and Government personnel in a cooperative effort, acceptance criteria, documentation, deliverables, and delivery schedules will also be specified as appropriate.

In general, the contractor shall comply with the processes of IEEE/EIA Standard 12207 Standard for Information Technology - Software Life Cycle Processes; however, processes shall be tailored to the specific project and applied with a rigor consistent with the software control class. Life-cycle process requirements for the various classes of software will be further defined in a TA to be issued at TO start.

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For each project, the contractor shall prepare and maintain a Software Project Management Plan (SPMP), as tailored to the specific project and applied with a rigor consistent with the software control class. SPMP requirements for the various classes of software will be further defined in a TA to be issued at TO start.

### **5.3. Information Systems Development**

The Center is continuing to develop the LaRC Information Architecture, that is, a framework within which information management systems shall be designed. Only at the insistence of the customer shall databases be developed in legacy application environments, such as Sapphire and Acius 4th Dimension, FoxPro, Microsoft SQL Server and Microsoft Access, and major modifications to legacy databases shall include consideration of conversion to the LaRC information architecture. The architecture relies on standards and configuration control to provide interoperability between databases, reduce the development of unique or duplicative systems, permit focus and skill-building among the technical and consumer work force, and reduce application specific training required by end users.

The Information Architecture technical environment consists of a suite of tools and database management systems which support the standards selected for use. Current tools include Oracle and Informix DBMS, Cold Fusion and WebObjects application development and production environments, and Brio query tools.

## **6. WORK-AREA SPECIFIC SERVICES**

The effort to be provided under this Task Order shall be in support of, but not limited to, the work areas of the LaRC IT environment described in this section.

As stated in Section 3, task assignments will be issued to specify required services. These services may include any or all of the general support requirements given in Section 4 and software development requirements given in Section 5, but also may include requirements that are specific to a work area. In addition to a brief description of each work area, specific requirements are listed that are representative but not all-inclusive of that work area.

Reference to "integrated support" of a system or systems encompasses all activities necessary to develop, deploy, upgrade, operate, and maintain a production IT capability.

Many of these work areas require services involving the operation of hardware and software systems to produce data; reports; or business, scientific, or engineering solutions. If this is the case a TA will require that the contractor develop an "Operations Plan," defining the procedures for receiving requests; prioritizing, approving, scheduling, and executing work, and delivering products.

In general, in the event that software developed by or for the Government is to be operated, such a plan shall comply with the operations process of Section 5.4 of IEEE/EIA Standard 12207- Software Life Cycle Processes; however, it shall be tailored to the particular software package and applied with a rigor consistent with the software control class. Operations process requirements for the various classes of software will be further defined in a TA to be issued at TO start.

### **6.1. Central Business and Administrative Computing**

Business and administrative computing includes financial, human resources, asset, procurement, security, and logistics management. The operational environment consists of a Central Business and Administrative Computing Complex (CBACC). Users connect from their individual workstations via network connections. Applications software runs on central mainframes (host based applications) located at the NASA Automated Data Processing (ADP) Consolidation Center (NACC) at Marshall Space Flight Center (MSFC) in Huntsville, Alabama, and on distributed computers located either in the CBACC or remotely (distributed applications). The NACC at Marshall centrally integrates and operates Agency-wide Multiple Virtual System (MVS) computing resources for NASA Centers and Headquarters. The NACC works in coordination with the CBACC to provide business and administrative IT services to LaRC. Consolidated mainframe MVS systems support is provided by the NACC. The LaRC business and administrative applications software portfolio consists of both Agency standard systems (host

based), developed under the NASA Automated Information Management (AIM) Program and unique LaRC applications (both host based and distributed) developed and maintained by LaRC. Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Provide local MVS support in the CBACC, which is responsible for local applications and functions internal to the LaRC logical partition (LPAR) at the NACC.
- Provide integrated support for the CBACC systems and coordinate work with NACC.
- Perform business production input/output including operating high-speed printers, developing production schedules, monitoring execution of applications jobs, and preparing all output for distribution.
- Operate, maintain, and enhance applications and integrated hardware-software systems that have been developed to meet requirements unique to LaRC.
- Develop and maintain systems and applications to address requirements for new or substantially enhanced LaRC-unique applications.
- Maintain documentation library for each system and application in the CBACC.
- Provide customer training and support for business and administrative applications.

The AIM Program will be phased out as functional applications are replaced according to the NASA Integrated Financial Management (IFM) plan for combining core financial applications, human resource applications, and several specific business applications at the Marshall Space Flight Center. The components of the IFM are to be Commercial-Off-The-Shelf (COTS) products. They will be implemented in a phased approach, starting with the core financial module, continuing with the human resources module, and ending with approximately 11 specific packages. As each of these modules comes on line, the contractor shall support the transition from LaRC-unique applications to the IFM system. Furthermore, it is possible that LaRC will assist in the integration of one or more packages into the IFM system; the Government may issue task assignments to support these system development efforts.

## **6.2. LaRC Technical Library**

The LaRC Technical Library operates a number of integrated hardware-software systems consisting of commercial-off-the-shelf (COTS) applications and information products as well as LaRC-developed applications that are used by the LaRC library staff in providing library services and by the LaRC research community in searching for and accessing information. These systems include NASA GALAXIE, a NASA-wide library management system containing bibliographic information on the holdings for all of the NASA libraries and providing modules for managing and automating circulation, acquisitions, cataloging, serials check ins, materials requests, and other library tasks. Other systems include technical report servers which disseminate documents over the internet, a database application used to track and report on LaRC technical publications, interlibrary loan systems, and CD-ROM and database servers. New electronic information products are emerging rapidly and the Library is continuously evaluating, installing, and planning for these new products. Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Provide integrated support for NASA GALAXIE system and provide customer support to staff in all NASA libraries in the form of telephone support, staff training, documentation, and meetings with users.
- Provide integrated support for all other library systems. Install, update, and maintain electronic databases received on CD-ROM, diskette, or computer tape on servers networked within the library and LaRC.
- Operate, maintain, and enhance digital library applications running on technical report servers.
- Perform database administration and maintain and enhance database applications.
- Provide library with input as to maintenance needs of the various systems, needed system upgrades, changes in system technology.
- Consult with library staff on provided new digital information services.

## **6.3. World-Wide Web Servers**

Central web servers and products on those servers are available to all LaRC personnel for web site hosting and web development activities, which promote and support LaRC teams, organizations, and programs. Several web

technology products are available on the centralized web servers including web server software, web application development software, a search engine, site usage analysis tools, and Secure Socket Layer (SSL) capability. Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Provide integrated support for central web servers including system administration, performance and security monitoring, daily backup, log monitoring and archival, and monthly access reports.
- Provide for all hosted web sites a unique virtual server name, a dedicated IP address, disk space for site development, limited consultation on site development, and monthly report of site activity.
- Develop site search capability.
- Respond to problems and questions directly related to web software residing on the WWW central servers and monitor sites and servers for any problems that interrupt services or compromise security.
- Administer a site license for the Netscape Enterprise server, Directory server, and Proxy server.
- Operate a web site allowing download of the software and provide customer installation and documentation support.
- Serve as web site curator.
- Participate in Center and Agency-level web activities (i.e, workshops, VITS, presentations)

#### **6.4. Database Servers**

A central database architecture is available for the development of applications by LaRC teams, organizations, and programs. The central environment can be used to develop applications to be hosted on central database servers or on customers' own systems. The central database architecture includes database servers running Oracle and Informix database management systems, along with web server software, web interface and other database development tools, and query tools. Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Provide integrated support for central database servers including database administration, system administration, performance and security monitoring, and daily backup.
- Administer Oracle and Informix licenses and licenses for associated database development tools.
- Provide database application development and consultation.

#### **6.5. Large Scale Data Storage and Retrieval System**

The contractor shall support the general-purpose production mass storage system. The current system is the Distributed Mass Storage System (DMSS) that employs the hierarchical storage management (HSM) software product named High Performance Storage System (HPSS). This system is used by users at LaRC and other NASA centers to:

- (1) archive data;
- (2) temporarily store large data files for near-term computation needs;
- (3) store data for scientific and business information systems
- (4) archive shared data for projects; and
- (5) backup systems

Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Provide integrated support for the general purpose mass storage system to deliver production mass storage services 24 hours per day, 7 days per week (24x7).
- Interface with other IT services that use the mass storage system.
- Stay abreast of rapidly changing mass storage technologies and investigate potential upgrades and new approaches.
- Test and verify new hardware and software systems prior to installation.

- Develop user applications or system tools that enhance user access, system performance and the operation of the system.
- Maintain a test system for testing system upgrades and running prototypes of new features.
- Provide a disaster recovery plan and necessary services for LaRC to use off-site storage for the execution of the disaster recovery plan.
- Plan, develop and execute the integration of a new system for production use, and the transition of all user data into the new system with a new HSM and/or new tape technology as required by the Government.

#### **6.6. Distributed Computing Environment (DCE)**

The contractor shall support the LaRC campus DCE core servers to deliver 24x7 secure campus DCE services on which many distributed applications are built and executed. Currently, this service is required by the HPSS application software on DMSS, for the security control, transaction management and metadata management. It is also used by the LaRC Distributed File System (DFS) and for secure access of computation servers. Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Provide integrated support for 24x7 production operation of DCE core servers
- Prototype DCE applications such as DFS.
- Provide assistance for DCE application development.
- Stay abreast of leading edge distributed system technologies for requirement studies.

#### **6.7. LaRC IT Security Manager Support**

The contractor shall support the LaRC Center IT Security Manager (CITSM) in implementing the NASA Security of Information Technology Program as described in NPG 2810.1. The CITSM's role is to develop Center-wide IT security policies and guidance, to provide computer awareness and training, to maintain an incident response capability, and to document, review, and report the status of the Center IT Security Program. The CITSM's responsibilities are further defined in paragraph 2.2.4 of NPG 2810.1. Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Provide a trained Incident Response Team.
- Operate and monitor the LaRC intrusion detection system.
- Operate and maintain the LaRC vulnerability scanning system (for penetration testing).
- Conduct risk analysis and assessment on request from system owners.
- Operate and maintain the LaRC and facility-specific firewalls.
- Maintain a LaRC specific web-site for IT security and conduct training in IT security.
- Acquire, implement and maintain computer systems and tools for automating IT security functions.
- Coordinate IT security activities with ITS personnel at other NASA Centers and Headquarters.

#### **6.8. Network Design and Development**

LaRCNET is the centrally-operated network which serves the data communications needs of the LaRC Research Center user community. The ongoing operation, maintenance, upgrade, and user support of this network is provided under ODIN.

In order to provide the best possible communications capabilities at LaRC, the CONITS contractor shall provide network expertise to plan for the evolution of LaRCNET architecture. Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Stay abreast of rapidly changing network technologies.
- Investigate potential upgrades and new approaches that might apply to the LaRC environment.
- Test and verify new hardware and software systems prior to installation.



#### **6.9. Software Engineering Process Group**

Software Engineering Process Group support includes the definition, implementation, and continuous improvement of complete software development lifecycle processes and procedures for LaRC research programs. The primary focus of this area is to support LaRC organizations with implementing LaRC's Software Process Improvement Initiative, the software related LaRC Management System Center Procedures, and the key process areas of the Software Engineering Institute's Capability Maturity Model. Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Evaluate, implement, and aid others in the use of current and new software technologies, methods, processes, and procedures.
- Collect and analyze process, procedure, and product metrics to improve software reliability, productivity, quality, and system performance.
- Develop software requirements, design, code, and test products.
- Assist in the implementation and improvement of software related to LaRC Management System Center Procedures.
- Assist in the implementation of the Key Process Areas of the Software Engineering Institute's Capability Maturity Model.
- Assist LaRC Programs/Projects in managing the development of and production of glue-ware / middle-ware to implement their requirements.
- Assist LaRC Organizations/Programs/Projects in effectively implementing software reuse.
- Select and use Computer Aided Software Engineering (CASE) tools.

#### **6.10. High Performance Computing**

LaRC has been involved in the Federal High Performance Computing and Communications Program (HPCCP) with goals to accelerate the rapid development of future generations of high performance computers and networks and the use of these resources in the Federal government and throughout the American economy. LaRC currently participates in the research of Computational AeroSciences (CAS), an area of HPCCP "grand challenges", through the use of networks of high-performance computers for multi-discipline optimization in the design of airframes. The LaRC major requirements for the support of high performance computing have been generated under HPCCP. Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Administer the HPCC testbed computer systems.
- Facilitate the development, debugging, performance analysis, and optimization of user applications.
- Benchmark, test, and evaluate new architectures and software.
- Develop, and implement state-of-the-art numerical algorithms.
- Administer LaRC parallel and clustered computational or application servers with state-of-the-art architecture
- Support specialized libraries for system or software development for high performance computing architecture

#### **6.11. Surface Modeling and Grid Generation**

Surface modeling and grid generation support includes the production of accurate surface definitions and numerical grids for Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD), Computational Structural Mechanics (CSM), and other engineering analyses. This work is centered in the Geometry Laboratory (GEOLAB). Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Provide integrated support for the GEOLAB systems.
- Create and modify numerical surface models to be compatible with software tools using multi-block structured or unstructured grid generation techniques using computer aided design software systems.
- Generate numerical grids compatible with analysis software and geometry.

- Analyze grid quality and validate surface modeling and grid generation integrity.
- Incorporate surface model measurements acquired using digital scanners into surface models.
- Develop software and user interfaces to integrate use of geometry tools.
- Provide consultation services in the areas of structured and unstructured grid generation and geometry modeling.

#### **6.12. Data Visualization and Image Processing**

Data visualization support involves the development and application of data analysis and visualization tools and techniques for a wide variety of disciplines including Computational Fluid Dynamics, Computational Structures, atmospheric modeling, remote sensing, and experimental fluid dynamics. This work is primarily in support of the Data Visualization and Analysis Laboratory (DVAL). Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Provide integrated support for the DVAL systems.
- Generate static and dynamic visualizations from experimental and computational data sets.
- Process and analyze large sequences of video images.
- Apply collaborative virtual environments technology to specific research problems.
- Develop custom software applications with sophisticated graphical user interfaces.
- Apply feature extraction techniques to complex, multivariate data sets.
- Consult on methods for the comparative visualization of simulated and observed results.

#### **6.13. World Wide Web Application Support**

WWW support is focused on application development activities at LaRC. The term “WWW application” refers to software products that include a World Wide Web browser as their user interface. Typical WWW applications are comprised of static or dynamically generated code in Hypertext Markup Language (HTML), often include executable components and sometimes include connectivity to databases. Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Develop WWW applications including web page interface design.
- Develop code and data reuse repositories.

#### **6.14. Data Management Support**

Data management support includes information management applications, Database Management System (DBMS) support, data modeling, knowledge management system support, and program integration. Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Develop and maintain web-based information management systems for scientific and administrative data management including data model, graphical user interface, and database interface development.
- Evaluate, design, and/or implement information management technologies.
- Evaluate and apply database connectivity tools, database standards, and data format standards to data management applications.
- Provide administration of database management systems such as, but not limited to, Informix and Oracle and application server software.
- Incorporate knowledge management with software agents that provide specific data services and can in turn invoke other software agents.

#### **6.15. Distributed Systems**

Distributed systems consist of clusters of networked computers and associated equipment, located at various sites throughout the Center, which are used in specific experimental or analytical environments. These clusters are generally used by small groups of researchers or engineers with particular specialties such as computational fluid dynamics, engineering development, software development, and other IT intensive applications. Most work will be

accomplished at LaRC; however, occasional travel will be required to support work in collaboration with other NASA centers, Government agencies, and industry.

The majority of the services required for distributed systems are systems administration, database administration, hardware and software maintenance, and applications management as described in Section 4. Services to be provided for applications programs include "Commercial-off-the Shelf" (COTS) as well as custom software developed by civil service personnel or other contractors. Support for this applications software may include only the distribution and installation of the applications package and upgrades (designated as software maintenance) or services all the way up to full technical support including software development, enhancements, and consultation. Examples of COTS applications support include Pro Engineer, Matlab, LabView, NASTRAN, and Mechanica, as well as custom software applications for database management and knowledge management.

#### **6.16. Data Reduction**

Data reduction programming and analysis support is required at LaRC by a wide variety of research facilities with research disciplines ranging from rotorcraft, low-speed aircraft to hypersonic spacecraft, dynamic flight testing, and structural analysis and materials research in static laboratory testing. A significant portion of this support includes the development of utility and application interfaces such as Graphical User Interfaces (GUI) code or control software, using COTS packages such as Sherill-Lubinski Graphics Modeling System (SL-GMS) or LabView. The development may also include data acquisition software and translators for information exchange between heterogeneous platforms and other IT intensive applications. The extent of the application management support for the existing and newly developed applications may range from installation only to full support involving additional software or script development, code enhancements, execution of the application, generation of required products, and consultation. Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Algorithm and code development in computer languages including but not limited, to FORTRAN, C, C++, Java and Visual Basic
- Application management of legacy codes
- Execution of data acquisition, analysis and presentation applications based on Government's test and data presentation requirements, and the delivery of products
- Performing data distribution and data archival

#### **6.17. Geographic Information Systems**

Geographic Information System (GIS) is an intuitive decision making tool used primarily by LaRC institutional managers. It is a Spatial Information Management (SIM) system built around a relational database consisting of data that includes or is derived from such records as: aerial photographs, topographic maps, descriptions and engineering drawings of buildings and facilities, utility plats, geological data, climatic records, financial data, and personnel locator records. The location of objects such as buildings - or even individual offices - is given with high accuracy in coordinates derived from the satellite-based Global Positioning System (GPS). Support is often provided at remote sites.

The database can be interactively queried through web pages to extract up-to-date maps or plans restricted to selected features or to produce reports relating selected data. Examples are: maps depicting the effects of flooding correlated to tidal stages; maps and reports in support of master planning (e.g. land use, security, emergency evacuation, traffic flow, parking, landscaping and environmental monitoring); and reports on space utilization (e.g., office occupancy densities for both contract and civil service personnel, and associated full cost accounting for facilities). The personnel/office locator can be used to locate the office of an individual employee and then to display a map showing its location.

Other information can be extracted from the available data on a case-by-case basis.

Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Provide integrated support of the GIS systems
- Update and enhance GIS databases
- Provide field observation, network solution, equipment readiness, and report generation in support of GPS data gathering and use.

- Develop and enhance software products for the display, maintenance, and publication of building spatial data and Master Plan related data.
- Develop new software tools and maintain existing tools to support the activities of the GIS.

#### **6.18. Computational Analysis and Programming Services for Research and Flight Projects**

This activity includes the mathematical modeling of physical systems; development of real-time embedded systems; 3D graphical scene generation; the determination of computational techniques and algorithms for the solution of the resulting mathematical problems on appropriate computer systems; and the development or adaptation of computer codes to implement the solution process. Mission software may be required for LaRC programs and projects, for example, the Aviation System Capacity Program, the Clouds and the Earth's Radiant Energy System (CERES) Project, and the Aviation Safety Program. Requirements specific to this work area include:

- Establish data management systems, graphical interfaces, and software for combining computer programs to provide for integrated analyses of multidisciplinary research projects.
- Develop embedded flight software systems to provide real-time instrument control and data acquisition.
- Develop ground computer software systems to support instrument development, test, calibration, commanding, and simulation.
- Develop software procedures for the integration and test of a flight experiment with its spacecraft or airframe platform. On-site diagnostic support for comprehensive performance tests that involve the operational behavior of the flight experiment and its attendant flight software and ground systems.
- Write and maintain project documentation for software systems. Programming languages required include, but are not limited to, FORTRAN, C, C++, Java, Javascript, and Perl.

#### **6.19. Card Key System**

Access to many of the buildings and interior secure areas on the LaRC campus is controlled by electronic door locks equipped with magnetic card key readers. Each door lock is connected to a node on an independent network under control of a master computer. The LaRC Security Officer issues card keys and permissions for individuals to access particular areas during selected time periods. Requirements specific to this area include:

- Support the administration of the card key system master computer
- Maintain the access database
- Plan for the addition of new secure areas
- Monitor network and card key installations.

#### **6.20. Central Computer Facility Environmental Monitoring**

Building 1268 complex (including 1268, 1268A, 1268B, 1268C, and 1268D) shares a common environmental monitoring system. The system monitors temperature and humidity and airflow in various equipment areas and displays this information in graphical form so that heating, cooling, and air handling systems can be adjusted for optimum conditions. Requirements specific to this area include:

- Monitor backup power systems for readiness.
- Support the administration of the computer that displays environmental data. Plan for the addition of new equipment areas and updating the monitoring system as necessary.

Advise Facility Coordinator or designee of problems or any situation requiring remedial or corrective action.

**EXHIBIT B****LABOR LOADED RATES AND TRAVEL, TOOLS, AND OTHER DIRECT COSTS (ODC) INDIRECT HANDLING RATES**

The following is a list of labor categories and their associated fully loaded direct labor cost per hour. These labor categories and rates will be used by the Government and Contractor to establish the estimated cost for individual TA's.

**FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR FOR BASE YEAR**  
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<b>Labor Categories</b>	<b>Fully Loaded Direct Labor Cost per Hour</b>
<b><u>Contractor Site</u></b>	
Master IT Analyst	
Senior IT Analyst	
Journeyman IT Analyst	
Apprentice IT Analyst	
Junior IT Analyst	
Entry Level IT Trainee	
Senior Subject Matter Expert	
Subject Matter Expert	
Senior Technician	
Journeyman Technician	
Technician	
Junior Technician	
Procurement Mgt. Expert	
Project Control Officer	
Emerging Technology Expert	
Clerical	
Technical Writer	
<b><u>Government Site</u></b>	
Master IT Analyst	
Senior IT Analyst	
Journeyman IT Analyst	
Apprentice IT Analyst	
Junior IT Analyst	
Entry Level IT Trainee	
Senior Subject Matter Expert	
Subject Matter Expert	
Senior Technician	
Journeyman Technician	
Technician	
Junior Technician	
Procurement Mgt. Expert	
Project Control Officer	
Emerging Technology Expert	
Clerical	
Technical Writer	

**FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR FOR BASE YEAR**  
**June 1, 2001 – January 31, 2001**

<b>Labor Categories</b>	<b>Fully Loaded Direct Labor Cost per Hour</b>
<b><u>Contractor Site</u></b>	
Master IT Analyst	
Senior IT Analyst	
Journeyman IT Analyst	
Apprentice IT Analyst	
Junior IT Analyst	
Entry Level IT Trainee	
Senior Subject Matter Expert	
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Technical Writer	

**FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR FOR OPTION PERIODS 1-3**

<b>Labor Category</b>	<b>First Option Period</b>	<b>Second Option Period</b>	<b>Third Option Period</b>
<b><u>Contractor Site</u></b>			
Master IT Analyst			
Senior IT Analyst			
Journeyman IT Analyst			
Apprentice IT Analyst			
Junior IT Analyst			
Entry Level IT Trainee			
Senior Subject Matter Expert			
Subject Matter Expert			
Senior Technician			
Journeyman Technician			
Technician			
Junior Technician			
Procurement Mgt. Expert			
Project Control Officer			
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Clerical			
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Journeyman Technician			
Technician			
Junior Technician			
Procurement Mgt. Expert			
Project Control Officer			
Emerging Technology Expert			
Clerical			
Technical Writer			

**FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR FOR OPTION PERIODS 4 - 7**

<b>Labor Category</b>	<b>Fourth Option Period</b>	<b>Fifth Option Period</b>	<b>Sixth Option Period</b>	<b>Seventh Option Period</b>
<b><u>Contractor Site</u></b>				
Master IT Analyst				
Senior IT Analyst				
Journeyman IT Analyst				
Apprentice IT Analyst				
Junior IT Analyst				
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert				
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician				
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer				
Emerging Technology Expert				
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Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer				
Emerging Technology Expert				
Clerical				
Technical Writer				



### TRAVEL, TOOLS, AND OTHER DIRECT COSTS (ODC) INDIRECT HANDLING RATES

The following is a list of the indirect handling rates to be applied to travel, tools, and ODC's (including specialized TA training, hardware and software maintenance, etc.). These rates will be used by the Government and Contractor to establish the estimated cost for individual task assignments.

	<u>Rate</u>
<b>Base Period</b>	
Travel	
Tools	
ODC's	
<b>First Option Period</b>	
Travel	
Tools	
ODC's	
<b>Second Option Period</b>	
Travel	
Tools	
ODC's	
<b>Third Option Period</b>	
Travel	
Tools	
ODC's	
<b>Fourth Option Period</b>	
Travel	
Tools	
ODC's	
<b>Fifth Option Period</b>	
Travel	
Tools	
ODC's	
<b>Sixth Option Period</b>	
Travel	
Tools	
ODC's	
<b>Seventh Option Period</b>	
Travel	
Tools	
ODC's	

**EXHIBIT C**

**AWARD FEE EVALUATION PLAN**

**FOR TASK ORDER**

**ON THE GSA MILLENNIA CONTRACT**

**FOR**

**CONSOLIDATED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

**SERVICES**

**(CONITS)**

APPROVED:

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Award Fee Evaluation Board Chairman      Date

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## PART I - AWARD FEE EVALUATION BOARD CHARTER AND MEMBERS

### A. General

The Award Fee Evaluation Board (AFEB) derives its authority from a Langley Research Center memorandum dated XXXX 2000, signed by the Center Director.

The Charter of the AFEB is to maintain an organization and establish a method of operation which will ensure acquisition of data necessary to permit a valid semi-annual assessment of the Contractor's performance in the following four areas: Technical Performance, Management, Cost, and Utilization of Small and Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB) Subcontractors. The AFEB is to develop an evaluation plan, evaluate the Contractor's overall performance concerning the contract work, discuss such evaluations with the Contractor, receive and consider any additional performance data provided, and submit to the Fee Determination Official a fee recommendation for each evaluation period with applicable results and findings.

### B. Award Fee Organization

The Award Fee Evaluation Board (AFEB) membership consists of those individuals appointed in the memorandum dated XXXX 2000 signed by the Center Director. Changes in the AFEB Chairman, Other Voting Members, Secretary, and Coordinators will be approved by the Fee Determination Official. Changes in Task Area Monitors will be approved by the AFEB Chairperson. The Contractor will be provided with copies of any such changes.

## PART II – DEFINITIONS AND PROCEDURES

- A. AFEB Meeting - The meetings will be scheduled so that the evaluation process can be completed and the Determination and Findings presented to the Fee Determination Official for action within 45 days following completion of the evaluation period. (An Evaluation Schedule is included as Exhibit B to this Plan.) At least four AFEB Voting Members shall be present in order to conduct the meeting. One of the Voting Members present must be the Chairperson or a designated alternate.
- B. AFEB Chairperson - A NASA Langley employee designated to lead the Award Fee evaluation process. The Chair is responsible for leading the preparation of the Award Fee Plan and for all Meetings of the AFEB. The Chair shall schedule all meetings so that the evaluation process can be completed within the time allotted.
- C. AFEB Recording Secretary - A NASA Langley employee responsible for the documentation of the activities of the AFEB. The Recording Secretary is responsible for the minutes of meetings or other documentation that summarizes the information reviewed, including any additional information provided by the contractor, and the consideration given to all such information. Announcements, documentation and files are important to support the meetings and recommendations of the AFEB.
- D. Task Area Monitor (TAM) - A NASA Langley employee designated to observe, assess, and report on the performance of the Contractor to the Technical Coordinator.  
  
The TAM will compile semi-annual performance data in a report using the metrics specified in Part IV of this award fee plan as the basis for evaluation. In addition, areas in need of improvement, as well as any other information sufficient to provide the Technical Coordinator with a clear understanding of the Contractor's performance will be provided.
- E. Contractor - The Contractor shall submit a self-evaluation of performance within 10 business days from the end of each Award Fee evaluation period. This report will be used by the Technical and Business Coordinators in assessing the Contractor's performance for the period.
- F. Coordinators - NASA Langley employees designated to receive, validate, assess, and consolidate the Task Area Monitors' reports and present performance information to the AFEB.

- G. AFEB - A Board of NASA Langley and GSA employees who perform an in-depth review of all aspects of Contractor performance and recommend an appropriate performance rating and fee amount to the Fee Determination Official.

The AFEB is responsible for developing the Award Fee Evaluation Plan used to evaluate the Contractor's performance and will periodically review the plan to determine whether it is still current and whether any changes are necessary. The AFEB will convene after each semi-annual evaluation period to evaluate the Contractor's performance, on a schedule consistent with the completion of the total Award Fee Process through fee payment within 60 days of the end of the award fee evaluation period. As requested by the Chairperson, any other personnel involved in performance evaluation will attend the meeting and participate in discussions.

- H. Fee Determination Official - A member of Langley Research Center's management designated to review the semi-annual recommendation of the Award Fee Board in order to make a final determination of award fee. Any change of the Fee Determination Official will be made by the Center Director.

### PART III – EVALUATION PROCESS

There are two Coordinators for this contract. The Technical Coordinator is responsible for documenting and presenting the evaluation of the Contractor's Technical Performance, technical management, and the Task Assignment (TA) cost performance. The Technical Coordinator is also responsible for documenting and presenting the evaluation of the Contractor's combined Technical and Business Management performance. The Business Coordinator is responsible for documenting and presenting the evaluation of the Contractor's performance for the Cost Factor, evaluating business management, and the Utilization of Small and Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB) Subcontractor Factor.

The Technical Coordinator will provide a comprehensive report to the AFEB which documents strong and weak points and fully justifies each rating recommended, based on the metrics set forth in task assignments and in Part IV below. The Technical Coordinator will review and consolidate the TAMs' reports, will make an independent assessment of the performance rendered by the Contractor, and will assign a recommended adjective rating (see Exhibit A) for Technical Performance. In deriving these technical performance ratings, the Technical Coordinator will also take into account the amount of effort and technical complexity associated with each of the Task Area Monitors' work areas.

The Technical Coordinator will then perform and document a comprehensive review of the Contractor's performance under the Management Factor, detailing strengths and weaknesses and assigning an adjective rating. In developing the rating, the Technical Coordinator will consider the performance standards and metrics outlined below (see Factor 3 - Management). The Business Coordinator will provide input to the Technical Coordinator regarding the Contractor's performance for business in the Management Factor.

The Business Coordinator will evaluate the Cost Factor and will evaluate the Utilization of Small and SDB Subcontractor Factor. The Business Coordinator will perform and document a complete review of the effectiveness of the Contractor's management of costs in accordance with the cost metrics. The Business Coordinator will also assess and report the Contractor's overall task order cost performance, including control of labor rates, overhead, G&A and other burden rates, and other costs. The Business Coordinator will also evaluate the performance of the Contractor against the goals set forth in the Small and SDB Subcontracting Plan and assign a recommended adjective rating. The Business Coordinator will provide a comprehensive report to the AFEB that documents strong and weak points.

The Coordinators' reports will be forwarded to the other members of the AFEB at least 2 business days prior to the scheduled AFEB meeting. The Coordinators will present an informal oral briefing of their evaluation results to the AFEB at the evaluation meeting. TAMs or their representatives may be in attendance at the award fee meeting.

The available award fee is computed as specified in Paragraph 6 of the Task Order. The fee available for each Factor - Technical (Quality and Timeliness), Cost, Management, and Small and Small Disadvantaged Business - will be computed using the Factor weights set forth in Part IV below. The percentages computed using the formulas

set forth in Part IV will be reviewed by the AFEB and accepted or revised to reflect actual performance. The AFEB will assess the evaluation and formula results considering the conditions under which performance was achieved. For example, performance will be considered in light of the priorities and workload existing during the evaluation period, taking into consideration factors beyond the Contractor's control that either enhanced or detracted from performance.

The AFEB will develop a numerical rating for each Factor and a corresponding adjective rating for each Factor according to Exhibit A. These numerical factor ratings will be applied to the available fee for each Factor to determine earned fee for those Factors.

The AFEB will then sum the earned fee for each of the Factors. This earned fee will be computed as a percentage of the total available fee and that percentage will be converted to an adjective rating from Exhibit A.

The AFEB will provide the Contractor with a comprehensive briefing of the evaluation findings for all Factors. The AFEB will consider any further performance data offered by the Contractor, and if necessary, will revise evaluation findings, adjective ratings, and recommended fee rating to reflect this additional information. The AFEB will document its evaluation results and recommended fee amount for transmittal to the Fee Determination Official. If the Fee Determination Official's final determination of award fee is different from that recommended by the AFEB, the Fee Determination Official will document the rationale for the AFEB's file. The Business Coordinator will prepare a "Notice of Award Fee" for transmittal by the Contracting Officer to the Contractor.

The Office of Procurement will maintain the official Award Fee evaluation files containing: the AFEB Establishment Memorandum and revisions, Evaluation Plan and revisions, minutes of meetings, Coordinators' and Monitors' reports, Contractor submittals, general correspondence, memoranda to the Fee Determination Official, Determinations of Award Fee, Notices of Award Fee, and other documents of significance.

#### PART IV EVALUATION FACTORS AND CONSIDERATIONS

The contractor's information management system will provide input data to the evaluation process by tracking each task assignment's parameters for proposal response, timeliness, costs, and other input data as required by the TAM's to effectively track and score performance.

The factors to be evaluated in judging the contractor's performance and the relative weights are shown in the table below.

#### **AWARD FEE EVALUATION FACTORS AND WEIGHTS**

<b><u>Factor No.</u></b>	<b><u>Brief Factor Identification</u></b>	<b><u>Factor Weight</u></b>
1	Technical Performance	40 percent
	Quality (up to 40%, allocated between Quality and Timeliness - relative weight assigned in TA)	
	Timeliness (up to 40%, allocated between Quality and Timeliness - relative weight assigned in TA)	
2	Cost Performance	25 percent
3	Management	30 percent
4	Small Disadvantaged Business	5 percent

#### **Factor 1, Technical Performance**

Task assignment monitors will provide feedback on the contractor's performance in meeting the metrics as defined in each Task Assignment (TA) and this award fee plan.

Fee is earned on a per Task Assignment basis and will depend on the contractor's ability to meet metrics pertaining to Quality and Timeliness as specified in the applicable TA. Technical performance is weighted at 40% for each task Assignment. Under Technical Performance, the Monitors will allocate the 40% between Quality and Timeliness. The Contractor will be notified of this allocation in each Task Assignment.

The evaluation criteria are described below:

**Quality** - Metrics for Quality will be stated in the Task Assignment. For large Task Assignments that are resource intensive and high risk, the Quality will be judged based on satisfying the requirements stated in the Task Assignment. For those task assignments that have deliverables, a formal acceptance test plan shall be developed and an acceptance test performed to demonstrate the operational readiness of the end product. For smaller Task Assignments, adherence to meeting the requirements will still be the primary factor in judging the performance, but a less formal acceptance test plan and demonstration will be required. For those task assignments that have services as the deliverable, standards of performance and the associated metrics will be developed as part of the task assignment. The end product will be judged based on the specific task metrics as either "Excellent", "Very Good", "Good", "Satisfactory", or "Poor/Unsatisfactory", using the adjective descriptions in Exhibit A of this Plan.

A corresponding numerical score will be assigned, consistent with the adjective rating. The Quality fee recommended will then be determined by multiplying the percentage Quality score by the amount of fee assigned to Quality in the TA Fee Arrangement. If the minimum Quality is not met (Poor/Unsat.), then no fee shall be recommended for Quality, Timeliness, or Cost.

**Timeliness** - The amount of available fee for Timeliness will be determined based on the TA Fee Arrangement assigned to that Task Assignment. The task score for Timeliness will be based on the proposal response time and delivery time metrics outlined below. The recommended Timeliness fee will then be determined by multiplying the percentage Timeliness score by the available fee for Timeliness.

Proposal Response Time - This element will carry 10% of the weight under Timeliness. A due date for a formal proposal response will be negotiated at task inception. If the Contractor meets the due date, a score of 100% will be earned. If the proposal is late, the score will be reduced by n% for each n% of the delivery time that it is late. For example, if a proposal is due in 4 days, but is not submitted until the 5<sup>th</sup> day, the score is 75%.

[Example Calculation:  $100\% \times (1 - \frac{1}{4}) = 75\%$ ]

Delivery Performance - This element will carry 90% of the weight under Timeliness. The delivery due dates will be established when the task plan is approved, and the Contractor is directed to proceed with the work. Since there may be many deliverables (documentation, timeliness of services, uptime, responsiveness, etc) on a given task assignment, the delivery performance will be scored by the task monitor based on delivery metrics in the task assignment.

As a guideline, the task monitor may choose to use the metric given below:

If the Contractor meets the due dates, a score of 100% will be earned. If the Contractor is late in completing the TA, the score will be reduced by  $5 \times n\%$  for each n% of the delivery time that delivery is late. For example, if a TA is due to be completed in 300 days, but is not completed until day 318, the score is 70%.

[Example Calculation:  $100\% \times (1 - [(18 \div 300) \times 5]) = 70\%$ ]

## **Factor 2, Cost Performance**

Cost will be assigned 25% of the available award fee. The Cost score for each Task Assignment will be derived by comparing the negotiated (issued) cost to actual cost using the scoring scheme outlined below. The recommended Cost fee will then be determined by multiplying the percentage Cost score by the available fee for Cost.

- When actual cost = negotiated cost for the Task Assignment,

Cost Score = 90%.

- When actual cost > negotiated cost for the Task Assignment,

Cost Score = 90% - (6 × n).

[n is the percentage of the negotiated cost by which actual cost exceeds negotiated cost; a cumulative Cost Score of 60% or less will result in a score of zero percent for the cost factor.]

- When actual cost < negotiated cost for the Task Assignment,

Cost Score = 90% + n.

[n is the percentage of the negotiated cost by which negotiated cost exceeds actual cost; the cost score cannot exceed 100% for an individual Task Assignment.]

The Government will also consider the contractor's overall Cost Management including control of labor rates, overhead, G&A, other burdened rates, and other costs. The Government will also consider the extent to which the Contractor makes sensible tradeoffs between technical performance and cost, e.g., productivity and expertise vs. labor rates. The Contractor is expected to be proactive in controlling and managing costs such as labor rates, overhead, G&A, and other burdened rates, and other costs.

### **Factor 3, Management**

This factor is evaluated at the TO level, and carries a weight of 30% of the total available fee for each Award Fee Period. The effectiveness of the Contractor's overall technical and business management will be evaluated. Of particular importance is the Contractor's effectiveness in managing multiple objectives to ensure that all customers on this TO, large and small, are provided superior support. In addition, consideration will be given to:

- Management effectiveness
- Response to emergency and other urgent tasks
- Recognition, resolution, and prevention of problems
- Quality and timeliness of required documentation
- Safety record and company policies and procedures to maintain a safe environment
- Communications/cooperation/working relationships with Government and the ODIN contractor
- Effective staffing of the contract (including training)
- Soundness of management systems (e.g., purchasing and subcontracting, time and attendance, control of Government property, work scheduling and control)
- Adequacy of facility, equipment, and other tools to perform contract
- Trends or recurring problems

The Technical Coordinator will solicit input for consideration from the Business Coordinator to evaluate the contractor's management performance. The Technical Coordinator will consider any other actions that significantly contribute to or detract from effective management. The contractor shall take steps to prevent poor performance trends and recurring problems, resolving them expeditiously, and responding to emergency requests promptly. The contractor is expected to meet requirements by implementing retention, recruitment and replacement policies that are highly effective in providing fully trained and qualified personnel. In addition, the Contractor shall maintain a safe working environment

The Contractor shall submit accurate technical and contract documentation on time. It is expected that the documentation will be error free, complete, and understandable and received on or before due dates

In general, these are areas that the award fee board will review in evaluating the contractor's performance for technical and business management. However, the award fee board has the prerogative of considering additional



factors based on work priorities or other extenuating circumstances where poor performance may have affected a mission critical area of work under this task order.

**Factor 4. Utilization of Small Business and SDB Subcontractors**

This factor is evaluated at the TO level and carries a weight of 5% of the total available fee for each Award Fee Period. The Contractor's actual subcontracting performance as compared to the goals set forth in their Small and Small Disadvantaged Business Subcontracting Plan will be evaluated.

PART V - CHANGES TO EVALUATION PLAN

Throughout the period of performance, both parties to the TO are encouraged to submit suggestions for changing management emphasis, motivating higher performance levels, or improving the evaluation process. Both the Government and the contractor should work to eliminate any unnecessary contractual, organizational, or conceptual barriers that diminish information sharing and other communications needed for successful joint problem solving.

With the exception of changes to AFEB personnel, which are covered in Part I above, any changes to this Award Fee Evaluation Plan will be made by the AFEB. The Government may alter the plan unilaterally to reflect any changes in emphasis or concern. Changes will be made available to the Contractor, through the Contracting Officer, prior to the first evaluation period in which the change will be effective.

## EXHIBIT A

### SCORING GUIDELINES

Each evaluation factor is scored based on these guidelines. The determining percentage for each factor is weighted to derive a recommended award fee rating.

<u>Adjective</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Performance Points</u>
Excellent	Of exceptional merit; exemplary performance in a timely, efficient, and economical manner; very minor (if any) deficiencies with no adverse effect on overall performance.	91-100
Very Good	Very effective performance, fully responsive to contract requirements accomplished in a timely, efficient, and economical manner for the most part. Only minor deficiencies.	81-90
Good	Effective performance; fully responsive to contract requirements; reportable deficiencies, but with little identifiable effect on overall performance.	71-80
Satisfactory	Meets or slightly exceeds minimum acceptable standards; adequate results. Reportable deficiencies with identifiable, but not substantial, effects on overall performance.	61-70
Poor/ Unsatisfactory	Does not meet minimum acceptable standards in one or more areas; remedial action required in one or more areas; deficiencies in one or more areas which adversely affect overall performance	0*

- Any factor/subfactor receiving a rating of Poor/Unsatisfactory will be assigned zero performance points for the purposes of calculating the award fee amount. An aggregate rating for all factors of Poor/Unsatisfactory will result in a fee of zero dollars for the period.

Timeliness Factor Score Limitation: The computation for Timeliness will never go below zero.

Cost Factor Score Limitation: The Contractor will normally be rewarded for an underrun within its control, up to the maximum score allocated for Cost, provided the weighted average numerical rating for all other evaluation factors is 81 or greater. An underrun shall be rewarded as if the Contractor has met the estimated cost of the Task Assignment when the weighted average numerical rating for all other factors is less than 81 but greater than 60. A score of zero for Cost shall be given if the weighted average numerical rating for all other evaluation factors under Task Assignment, is less than 61.

## EXHIBIT B

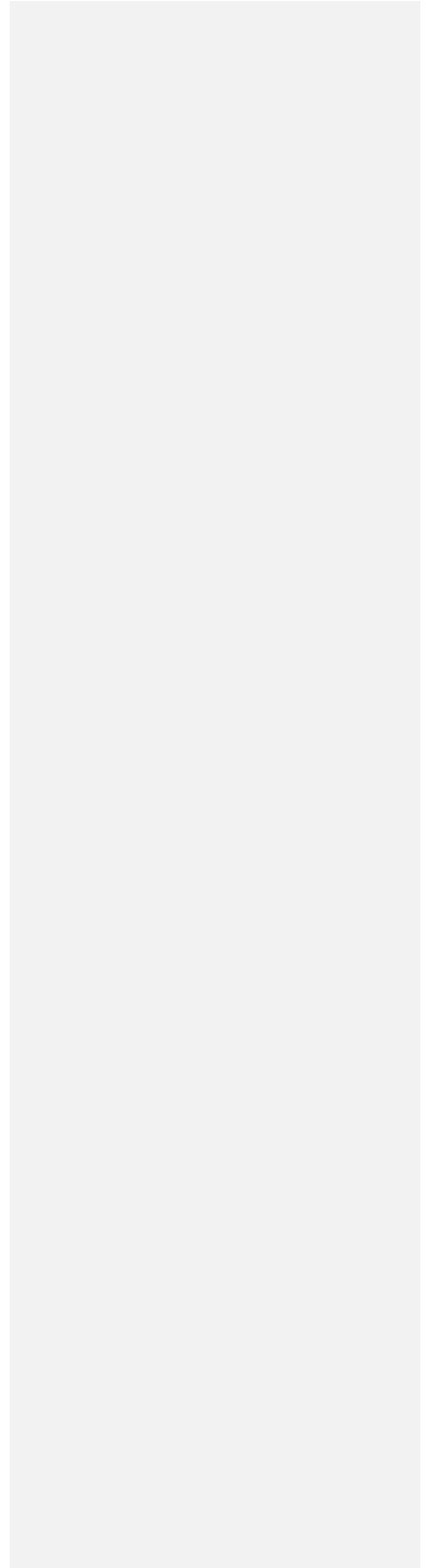
### ACTIONS AND SCHEDULES FOR AWARD FEE DETERMINATIONS

The following is a summary of the principal actions involved in determining the award fee for each evaluation period and meeting NASA's metrics for Contractor Notification and Payment of Fee.

<u>Action</u>	<u>Schedule (Calendar Days)</u>
1. AFEB Chair and members appointed	Prior to contract award.
2. AFEB considers reports and other requested performance information.	On-going
3. Contractor submits self-evaluation report.	NLT 10 business days after end of each award fee period.
4. AFEB meets and summarizes preliminary findings.	NLT 37 calendar days after end of each award fee period.
5. AFEB meets with the Contractor to discuss preliminary findings.	NLT 38 calendar days after end of each award fee period.
6. AFEB establishes findings and recommendations for the AFER.	NLT 39 calendar days after end of each award fee period.
7. AFEB submits AFER to the FDO.	NLT 40 calendar days after end of each award fee period.
8. FDO considers the AFER and discusses it with AFEB, as appropriate.	NLT 43 calendar days after end of each award fee period.
9. FDO sends award fee determination memorandum to C.O.	NLT 44 calendar days after end of each award fee period.
<b>10. C.O. sends award fee notification letter to Contractor</b>	<b>NLT * 45 calendar days after end of each award fee period.</b>
<b>11. Payment made to Contractor.</b>	<b>NLT * 60 calendar days after end of each award fee period.</b>

- \*NASA Award Fee Payment Metrics

**EXHIBIT D**  
**SUBCONTRACTING PLAN (To be submitted)**



## EXHIBIT E – TASK ORDER DOCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS

### I. DOCUMENTATION PREPARATION/SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

A. Financial Management Reports--The Contractor shall comply with the clause of the TO entitled "NASA Contractor Financial Management Reporting" by monthly submission of NASA Form 533M. The form shall be prepared and submitted in accordance with the instructions set forth on the reverse side of the form and NASA Policy and Guidelines (NPG) 9501.2C, "NASA Contractor Financial Management Reporting," as further definitized below.

1. For this TO, a Form 533M shall be provided as follows:
  - a. For each authorized Task Assignment
  - b. Summary Report for the total Task Order
2. Due not later than the 10th operating day following the close of the Contractor's accounting period being reported.
3. Columns 8.a. and b. shall be completed using current estimates (forecasts) for the succeeding two months.
4. As a minimum, the categories specified below shall be reported:
  - Direct Labor Hours
  - Direct Labor Dollars
  - Overhead
  - Other Direct Costs:
    - Travel
    - Training
    - Tools
    - Subcontracts (list major subcontractors separately)
    - Other ODC's
  - Total Other Direct Costs
  - G&A
  - Estimated Cost
  - Award Fee
  - Cost-Plus-Award Fee
5. Each Form 533M shall include a narrative explanation for variances exceeding 10 percent between planned hours and dollars and actual hours and dollars for each reporting category.

B. Safety and Health Plan--Within 30 calendar days after the effective date of the TO, the offeror shall submit a detailed Safety and Health Plan addressing how the company intends to protect the life, health, and well being of NASA Langley Research Center contractor employees and visitors, as well as protect on-site property and equipment. The offeror's Safety and Health Plan shall address how the company implements the Safety and Health Plan internally as well as how these requirements are effectively implemented in any subcontracts. This Plan, as approved by the Contracting Officer, will be included in any resulting TO by reference. As a minimum, the plan shall address the following areas. If any area is not applicable to the effort, the contractor shall so state in the Plan.

1. Contract Identification – Provide Task Order number, period of performance and identification of all option periods, and a brief summary of the scope of work.

2. Points of Contact and Responsibility – Provide organizational flowchart, including area responsible for safety. The safety organization shall include identification of the Program Manager and the Safety Representative and describe responsibilities of each employee in the safety organization.
3. Safety Regulations – Provide a statement of compliance to applicable OSHA, Federal, State, Local, and Langley Research Center Safety Regulations.
4. Accident & Injury Reporting and Recordkeeping – Address process for immediate reporting of all serious accidents/injuries to the NASA LaRC Safety Office at 864-7233. Identify process for initiating and maintaining appropriate records concerning accidents and injuries, in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR 1904, including submission of documented accident/injury report to the NASA LaRC Safety Office within 5 working days of the incident.
5. Quarterly Safety Report – Within 10 working days after the end of each quarter, the contractor shall provide a statement and schedule of compliance for submission of Quarterly Safety Reports to the LaRC Safety Officer. The Quarterly Safety Reports submitted by the contractor shall include the hours worked on the contract and the number of fatalities, lost time cases, OSHA recordable incidents and first aid cases which have occurred during the past quarter.
6. Notice of Violations – Describe process by which the prime contractor shall respond to any Notice of Violation (NOV) issued for safety violations to the prime itself or its' subcontractors. The response process should address: cause for violation; mitigation of impact, if applicable; planned prevention of recurrence; timing of response to ensure compliance within LaRC's three working day response time requirement; and proper delivery to the issuer of the NOV.
7. Safety Meetings – Identify plan for conduct of regular safety meetings in accordance with LaRC Policy as described in LAPG 1740.3, "Facility Safety Head and Facility Coordinator Guide" located at <http://ldms.larc.nasa.gov/procedures.html>.
8. Subcontractor Compliance – Address how the prime contractor ensures subcontractor compliance to the approved Safety Plan.
9. NASA LaRC Lockout/Tagout System – Describe plan for compliance with LAPG 1910.10, "Safety Clearance Procedures (Lockout/Tagout)" located at <http://ldms.larc.nasa.gov/procedures.html>.
10. Ionizing and Non-Ionizing Radiation – Describe employee awareness training of radiation symbols and when they are used. (Reference LAPG 1710.5 and LAPG 1710.8 located at <http://ldms.larc.nasa.gov/procedures.html>.)
11. Potentially Hazardous Materials (LAPG 1710.12) – Describe employee awareness training for LaRC's hazardous materials program. (Reference LAPG 1710.12 located at <http://ldms.larc.nasa.gov/procedures.html>.)
12. Hazardous Communications Program – Describe the hazardous communications program as defined in CFR 29 Part 1910.1200. Include process for compliance with and updating of Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for each chemical, oil, lubricant, solvent, etc., used on the job-site.
13. Confined Space Entry – Describe plan for training personnel in confined space entry and obtaining a Confined Space Entry Permit. Describe process for initial and hourly readings in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.146.
14. Employee Safety Training, Certification and Programs – Provide detailed information on employee safety training, certification and programs. Describe types of safety training required per duties performed, parties responsible for certification, and provide an outline of applicable regulations. Describe safety programs and how the programs emphasize safety and motivate employees to be safety conscious.

15. Hazardous Operations – Identify hazardous operations involved in performance of the contract and provide a plan for apprising employees of all hazards to which they may be exposed.

16. Crane Certification – Describe process for ensuring that all mobile/truck-mounted cranes brought on site by the prime or subcontractors have a current "Annual Certification of Load Test." Include crane location identification for crane certifications to facilitate inspections upon request by NASA Inspector or Office of Safety and Facility Assurance employees. Address the process by which the contractor and subcontractors notify the Office of Safety and Facility Assurance (864-5594 or 864-7233) that a mobile/truck mounted crane is being or has been brought onto the Center.

17. Scaffolding – Describe plan to ensure scaffolding designed, constructed and assembled in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR 1926.450 through 454.

18. Excavations and Trenching – Define process for obtaining a "Digging Permit" and ensuring compliance to applicable OSHA standards 1926.650-652 when performing surface penetrations of 6 inches or more.

19. Fall Protection – Address requirements for fall protection systems and compliance with OSHA 29 CFR 1926.500 through 1926.503, which defines the types of fall protection devices and systems.

20. Personal Protective Equipment – Describe personal protective equipment program and usage requirements in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR 1926 Subpart E.

21. Bloodborne Pathogens – Describe blood-borne pathogen awareness training program.

22. Asbestos Awareness – Describe asbestos awareness training program.

23. Hot Work Permit – Describe process for obtaining Hot Work Permits from the Fire Department, and location of approved and posted Permit. Address process for written deviation or waiver requests to be submitted for approval by the LaRC Fire Chief.

24. (24) Other Safety Considerations – Identify any other safety considerations unique to the performance of this task order.

C. Property in the Custody of Contractors (NASA Form 1018)--The Contractor shall submit the NASA Form 1018 no later than October 31 of each year in accordance with the clause entitled "Financial Reporting of NASA Property in the Custody of Contractors."

D. Evidence of Insurance--The Contractor shall submit evidence of the insurance coverage, required by 1852.228-75, Minimum Insurance Coverage, (i.e., a Certificate of Insurance or other confirmation), to the NASA Contracting Officer prior to performing under this TO. In the event the Government exercises its options to extend the term of the TO, the Contractor shall also present such evidence to the Contracting Officer prior to commencement of performance under the extension.

E. Monthly Technical Letter Progress Report--The Contractor shall submit monthly technical letter reports for each TA describing progress of the task to date, noting all technical areas in which effort is being directed and indicating the status of work within these areas. Task Assignments may be summarized in one letter report unless otherwise stipulated in individual TA's and should also address any deviations in staffing, cost, hours, and schedule from that approved in the Task Plan/SPMP. Reports shall be in narrative form, brief and informal in content. These reports shall include:

1. A narrative statement of work accomplished during the report period
2. A statement of current and potential problem areas and proposed corrective action

3. A discussion of work to be performed during the next report period

The monthly progress report shall be submitted within 10 days after the end of each calendar monthly report period.

F. New Technology Report--The Contractor shall submit all disclosures of reportable items and subject inventions, interim Reports, subcontract identification and other information as required by the clause at 1852.227-70. Further, upon completion of the work under the TO (or subcontract, if any) a final report shall be submitted.

G. Subcontracting Reports--The Contractor shall submit Standard Form 294, Subcontracting Report for Individual Contracts, in accordance with the instructions on the reverse of the form.

H. Documentation for Transferring Property to the Government—In accordance with the Installation-Accountable Government Property clause of this Task Order, accountability for that property which is acquired for the Government under this TO shall be passed to the Government using the following procedure:

The transfer of accountability shall be initiated by the Contractor submitting a Requisition and Invoice/Shipping Document, DD Form 1149, accompanied by a copy of the Contractor's applicable purchasing and receipt document for the property. The Contractor shall insert both the Contractor's Subcontract/Purchase Order number and the Government Task Order/Contract number on the DD Form 1149 under the "Federal Stock Number, Description, and Coding of Material and/or Services" block. For purchases of supplies and materials, this document shall be submitted within 30 days after the end of each calendar-year quarter (that is, not later than January 30, April 30, July 30, and October 30). For equipment purchases, this document shall be submitted within five workdays after acceptance of each item of equipment by the Contractor. Receipt by the Contractor of a copy of the DD Form 1149 signed by the Government relieves the Contractor of accountability for the property specified on that form.

I. Security Implementation Plan—In accordance with Paragraph 23, Security Requirements for Unclassified Information Technology Resources, within 30 days of TO award, the contractor shall submit a Security Implementation Plan, which will be approved by the Center IT Security Officer and be incorporated by reference in the TO.

J. Final Reports--Each task assignment may require the Contractor to submit a final report, either formal or informal, which documents and summarizes the results. When a formal final Contractor report is required, it shall be submitted in accordance with the instructions contained in Exhibit G, Procedures for the Preparation and Approval of Contractor Reports for Langley Research Center, Form PROC./P-72. The specified number of approval copies shall be submitted within the time specified in the task assignments.

For Center for AeroSpace Information (CASI), submit two paper copies (one of a quality that can be reproduced and a printed or reproduced copy) or one paper copy and the electronic format. Electronic formats include Adobe portable document format (PDF), Encapsulated Post Script, HTML, Standard Generalized Markup Language (SGML), ASCII full-text, WordPerfect, Microsoft Word, or CD-ROM. All graphics must be included. Standard Form 298, Report Documentation Page, shall comply with ANSI Standard Z39-18, OMB Approval 0704-0188. Ensure that the document has been approved by the responsible NASA Center for export control via NF Form 1676, NASA Scientific and Technical Document Availability (DAA), or the Center's equivalent form (Langley Form 99). Only Unclassified reports shall be submitted to the NASA Center for AeroSpace Information.

**Note:** Paragraph K. below ONLY applies to those offerors that are not ISO compliant at TO award:

K. Quality System Documents (ISO 9001)--The Contractor shall submit the following ISO-compliant documents in accordance with Paragraph 25 no later than nine months from the effective date of the TO:

1. Quality System Manual



2. Quality System Procedures - these procedures shall address: (1) contract and subcontract management, (2) customer requirement review and execution, (3) task management, including work order generation and processing, (4) document control, (5) handling of customer supplied product, (6) corrective and preventive action, (7) training of employees, and (8) design control for software development.

L. Full Cost Accounting Report—The Contractor shall provide a separate breakout of costs for each task assignment. LaRC will be using a full cost accounting approach in all program areas throughout the Center. An essential element of this approach will be accurate reporting of contract costs (including actuals and forecast) for the Government fiscal year. Under full cost, service activities must attribute all costs to applicable programs. Some task assignments under the CONITS task order will support the Information Technology Service Activity. Costs for work performed within these task assignments will be reported for each program/customer. Specific full cost reporting requirements will be provided in task assignments. See Attachment 5, Excel spreadsheet, for sample format.

## II. DOCUMENT DISTRIBUTION REQUIREMENTS

A. Unless otherwise specified elsewhere in this contract, reports and other documentation shall be submitted F.O.B. destination as specified below, addressed as follows:

NASA Langley Research Center  
Attn: Lisa M. Harvey, Mail Stop 126  
Order L-  
Hampton, VA 23681-2199

B. The following letter codes designate the recipients of reports and other documentation which are required to be delivered prepaid to Langley Research Center by the Contractor:

A--LaRC Contracting Officer, Mail Stop 126  
B--LaRC Contracting Officer Representative, Mail Stop 125  
C--LaRC Alternate Contracting Officer Representative, Mail Stop 125  
D--New Technology Representative, Mail Stop 212  
E--Cost Accounting, Mail Stop 135  
F--Safety Manager, Mail Stop 429  
G--Programs and Resources Division, Mail Stop 104  
H--Patent Counsel, Mail Stop 212  
I--Industrial Property Office, Mail Stop 377  
J--Small Business Specialist, Mail Stop 144  
K--Technical Monitor, Mail Stop as indicated in Task Assignment—for specific TA  
L--Task Area Monitor Mail Stop as indicated in Task Assignment—for task areas TAs  
M--LMS Project Office, Mail Stop 438  
N--GSA Contracting Officer, Attn: Nancy Ballay, 100 Penn Square East, Rm. 820,  
Philadelphia, PA 19107  
O--NASA Center for Aerospace Information (CASI), Attn: Accessioning Department  
Parkway Center, 7121 Standard Drive, Hanover, MD 21076\*

C. The following are the distribution requirements for reports and other documentation required with the numeral following the letter code specifying the number of copies to be provided:

<u>DOCUMENT</u>	<u>LETTER CODE AND DISTRIBUTION</u>
Financial Management Report (NASA Forms 533M)	A-1, B-1, C-1, E-2, G-1, N-1
Safety and Health Plan	A-1, B-1, F-1
Monthly Technical Letter Progress Report	A-1, B-1, K-1, L-1, N-1
New Technology Report	A-1, B-1, D-1, H-1
Quarterly Safety Report	A-1, B-1, F-1
Notice of Violation Report	A-1, B-1, F-1
Final Report (Approval Copies)	A-2, B-1, K-2
Final Report (Final Copies)	A-2, B-1, K-5, O-2
NASA Property in the Custody of Contractors (NASA Form 1018)	A-1, B-1, I-4
Subcontracting Report for Individual Contracts (Standard Form 294)	A-1, B-1, N-1, J-1
Requisition and Invoice/Shipping Document (DD Form 1149)	I-1
Security Implementation Plan	A-1, B-2
Quality/ISO Documentation	A-1, B-1, M-1
Full Cost Accounting Report	A-1, B-1, E-1, K-1, L-1

D. When the Contract Administrator (A) is not designated above to receive a copy of a report or document, the Contractor shall furnish a copy of the report/document transmittal letter to the Contract Administrator (A and N designated above). The Contractor shall also furnish a copy of the transmittal letter and a copy of each Financial Management Report to the delegated Administrative Contracting Officer of the cognizant DoD (or other agency) contract administrative services component.

**EXHIBIT F -- TO SECURITY CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION DD 254**

<b>DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE</b> <b>CONTRACT SECURITY CLASSIFICATION SPECIFICATION</b> <i>(The requirements of the DoD Industrial Security Manual apply to all security aspects of this effort.)</i>			<b>1. CLEARANCE AND SAFEGUARDING</b> A. Facility Clearance Required <div style="text-align: center; color: red; font-weight: bold;">SECRET</div> B. Level Of Safeguarding Required <div style="text-align: center; color: red; font-weight: bold;">NONE</div>		
<b>2. THIS SPECIFICATION IS FOR: (X and complete as applicable)</b>			<b>3. THIS SPECIFICATION IS: (X and complete as applicable)</b>		
A. PRIME CONTRACT NUMBER		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A. ORIGINAL (Complete Date In All Cases)		Date (YYMMDD)
B. SUBCONTRACT NUMBER			B. REVISED (Supersedes all previous specs)		Revision No.
C. SOLICITATION OR OTHER NUMBER		Due Date (YYMMDD)	C. FINAL (Complete Item 5 In All Cases)		Date (YYMMDD)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>GSTFF-99-200</b>					
<b>4. IS THIS A FOLLOW-ON CONTRACT?</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO. If Yes, complete the following: <b>NASI-00075, NASI-20048, NASI-20650</b> Classified material received or generated under _____ (Preceding Contract Number) is transferred to this follow-on contract.					
<b>5. IS THIS A FINAL DD FORM 254?</b> <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO. If Yes, complete the following: In response to the contractor's request dated _____ retention of the classified material is authorized for the period _____					
<b>6. CONTRACTOR (Include Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) Code)</b>					
A. Name, Address, And Zip Code		B. Cage Code	C. Cognizant Security Office (Name, Address, And Zip Code)		
<b>TBD</b>		<b>TBD</b>	<b>TBD</b>		
<b>7. SUBCONTRACTOR</b>					
A. Name, Address, And Zip Code		B. Cage Code	C. Cognizant Security Office (Name, Address, And Zip Code)		
<b>N/A</b>		<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>		
<b>8. ACTUAL PERFORMANCE</b>					
A. Location		B. Cage Code	C. Cognizant Security Office (Name, Address, And Zip Code)		
<b>N/A</b>		<b>N/A</b>	<b>N/A</b>		
<b>9. GENERAL IDENTIFICATION OF THIS PROCUREMENT</b>					
GSA MILLENNIA CONTRACT, CONSOLIDATED INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES					
<b>10. CONTRACTOR WILL REQUIRE ACCESS TO:</b>					
A. Communications Security (Comsec) Information	YES	NO	<b>11. IN PERFORMING THIS CONTRACT, THE CONTRACTOR WILL:</b>		
B. Restricted Data		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	A. Have Access To Classified Information Only At Another Contractor's Facility Or A Government Activity	YES	NO
C. Critical Nuclear Weapon Design Information		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	B. Receive Classified Documents Only		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
D. Formerly Restricted Data		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	C. Receive And Generate Classified Material		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
E. Intelligence Information		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	D. Fabricate, Modify, Or Store Classified Hardware		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(1) Sensitive Compartmented Information (Sci)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	E. Perform Services Only	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
(2) Non-Sci		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	F. Have Access To U.S. Classified Information Outside The U.S., Puerto Rico, U.S. Possessions And Trust Territories		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
F. Special Access Information	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		G. Be Authorized To Use The Services Of Defense Technical Information Center (Dtlic) Or Other Secondary Distribution Center		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
G. Nato Information		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	H. Require A Comsec Account		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
H. Foreign Government Information		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	I. Have Tempest Requirements		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
I. Limited Dissemination Information		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	J. Have Operations Security (Opsec) Requirements		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
J. For Official Use Only Information		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	K. Be Authorized To Use The Defense Courier Service		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
K. Other (Specify)			L. Other (Specify)		
<b>N/A</b>					

**12. PUBLIC RELEASE.** Any information (*classified or unclassified*) pertaining to this contract shall not be released for public dissemination except as provided by the Industrial Security Manual unless it has been approved for public release by appropriate U.S. Government authority. Proposed public releases shall be submitted for approval prior to release

☐ Direct ☒ Through (*Specify*)

**"NASA LANGLEY RESEARCH CENTER, M/S 126, HAMPTON, VA 23681-2199"**  
**ATTN: Lisa Harvey "757-864-2444"**

to the Office of Public Affairs, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Washington, DC 20546, for review.

**13. SECURITY GUIDANCE.** The security classification guidance needed for this classified effort is identified below. If any difficulty is encountered in applying this guidance or if any other contributing factor indicates a need for changes in this guidance, the contractor is authorized and encouraged to provide recommended changes; to challenge the guidance or the classification assigned to any information or material furnished or generated under this contract; and to submit any questions for interpretation of this guidance to the official identified below. Pending final decision, the information involved shall be handled and protected at the highest level of classification assigned or recommended. (*Fill in as appropriate for the classified effort. Attach, or forward under separate correspondence, any documents/guides/extracts referenced herein. Add additional pages as needed to provide complete guidance.*)

**MOST OF THE WORK ON THIS CONTRACT WILL BE PERFORMED AT GOVERNMENT FACILITIES WHERE CLASSIFICATION GUIDANCE WILL BE PROVIDED AS NECESSARY.**

**14. ADDITIONAL SECURITY REQUIREMENTS.** Requirements, in addition to ISM requirements, are established for this contract. (*If Yes, identify the pertinent contractual clauses in the contract document itself, or provide an appropriate statement which identifies the additional requirements. Provide a copy of the requirements to the cognizant security office. Use Item 13 if additional space is needed.*)

☐ Yes ☒ No

**15. INSPECTIONS.** Elements of this contract are outside the inspection responsibility of the cognizant security office. (*If Yes, explain and identify specific areas or elements carved out and the activity responsible for inspections. Use Item 13 if additional space is needed.*)

☐ Yes ☒ No

**16. CERTIFICATION AND SIGNATURE.** Security requirements stated herein are complete and adequate for safeguarding the classified information to be released or generated under this classified effort. All questions shall be referred to the official named below.

a. TYPED NAME OF CERTIFYING OFFICIAL	b. TITLE	c. TELEPHONE (Include Area Code)
<b>Michael Rammel</b>	<b>Security Specialist</b>	<b>757-864-3419</b>
d. ADDRESS (Include Zip Code)	<b>17. REQUIRED DISTRIBUTION</b>	
<b>NASA LANGLEY RESEARCH CENTER</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A. Contractor	
<b>M/S 450, ATTN: MICHAEL RAMMEL</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> B. Subcontractor	
<b>HAMPTON, VA 23681-2199</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C. Cognizant Security Office For Prime And Subcontractor	
e. SIGNATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> D. U.S. Activity Responsible For Overseas Security Administration	
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E. Administrative Contracting Officer	
	<input type="checkbox"/> F. Others As Necessary	

## EXHIBIT G

### PROCEDURES FOR THE PREPARATION AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACTOR REPORTS FOR LANGLEY RESEARCH CENTER

**GUIDELINES:** The following documents or subsequent editions in effect on date of contract shall serve as the basis for preparation of Contractor Reports:

NPG 2200.2A NASA Procedures and Guidelines (<http://www.sti.nasa.gov/neghome3.htm>) DoD 5220.22-M, National Industrial Security Program Operating Manual (NISPOM), January 1995

**FORMAT AND ORGANIZATION:** The format and organization of a Contractor Report should be consistent and follow the practices recommended in the NASA Procedures and Guidelines. For questions concerning format, contact Langley Research Information Management at (757) 864-2518. A Report Documentation Page (RDP) (Standard Form 298) shall be included as the last page in the report. The RDP is available electronically at (<http://www.sti.nasa.gov/neghome3.htm>). A sample of this form is attached.

**TRADEMARKS:** U.S. Government policy prohibits endorsing or criticizing commercial products in its publications. Use of trademarks is discouraged. If a trademark must be used, its owner must be credited and the trademark must be used as an adjective modifying the generic name.

**REFERENCES:** Material that is not obtainable or available must not be listed in the references. Documents of NASA contracts published as in-house documents must be referenced as NASA CR's, not as NASA Contract Numbers.

**SECURITY:** Security markings, when necessary, shall be consistent with DD Form 254, the directive issued by the Security Classification Officer, and shall conform to requirements established in the DoD NISPOM. For questions concerning security classification, contact LaRC Security Classification Officer at (757) 864-3420.

#### APPROVAL COPIES.

1. Upon completion of a report, the Contractor shall submit five (5) approval copies to the Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COTR) for review and approval by NASA. These copies may be reproduced on both sides of sheet where feasible and assembled by an economical means by the Contractor. **Notify the Langley Contracting Officer when the approval copies are submitted.**

2. The Contractor will be notified of acceptance of the approval copy of the report by the COTR within thirty (30) days. Approval will be contingent upon changes required by NASA.

#### FINAL (REVISED) COPIES:

1. Upon receipt of acceptance from the Langley COTR, the Contractor shall prepare an original manuscript incorporating the changes required by NASA.

2. The Contractor shall submit the original manuscript and up to five (5) duplicate copies to the Langley COTR within thirty (30) days after receipt of acceptance. Electronic PostScript files for the cover and report (including figures and tables), and Report Documentation Page source file shall also be submitted to the Langley COTR, if available. **Notify the Langley Contracting Officer when the final revised report is submitted.**

Contact the Langley COTR for information on transmitting the electronic files by file transfer protocol (FTP). The electronic files may be saved on a 3.5-inch, high density, double-sided disk(s) and submitted with the final manuscript. The disk(s) and files should be labeled to properly identify the report.

**ORIGINAL MANUSCRIPT:** The original manuscript of a Contractor Report shall consist of a single-sided, unbound, laser printed copy of the text with all tables, figures, artwork, graphs, photos and captions included on the pages. Photographs shall be either scanned electronic images or unscreend glossy prints that have been cut and mounted on the pages. The manuscript shall be single spaced with consecutive page numbers on all pages, excluding the cover. The manuscript shall be printed on 8-1/2 by 11 paper with a maximum page image area of 7-1/8 by 9-3/16 inches

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1. AGENCY USE ONLY (Leave blank)		2. REPORT DATE <b>May 1991</b>		3. REPORT TYPE AND DATES COVERED <b>Contractor Report</b>
4. TITLE AND SUBTITLE <b>Science Needs for Real-Time Adaptable Data Products From the Earth Observing System</b>		5. FUNDING NUMBERS <b>CC NAS1-18676</b> <b>TA 6</b>		
6. AUTHOR(S) <b>Paul D. Try, Paul F. Twitchell and Christopher R. Redder</b>				
7. PERFORMING ORGANIZATION NAME(S) AND ADDRESS(ES) <b>Science and Technology Corporation 101 Research Drive Hampton, VA 23666-1340</b>		8. PERFORMING ORGANIZATION REPORT NUMBER <b>STC-42518</b>		
9. SPONSORING/MONITORING AGENCY NAME(S) AND ADDRESS(ES) <b>National Aeronautics and Space Administration Langley Research Center Hampton, VA 23681-2199</b>		10. SPONSORING/MONITORING AGENCY REPORT NUMBER <b>NASA/CR</b>		
11. SUPPLEMENTARY NOTES <b>Langley Technical Monitor: David E. Bowker Final Report</b>				
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14. SUBJECT TERMS <b>Real-time data needs; Onboard data processing; Real-time Processing EOS; EOS communication needs.</b>			15. NUMBER OF PAGES <b>76</b>	
			16. PRICE CODE	
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The Report Documentation (RDP) is used in announcing and cataloging reports. It is important that this information be consistent with the rest of the report, particularly the cover and title page. Instructions for filling each block of the form follow. It is important to *stay within the lines to meet optical scanning requirements*.

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**PE** - Program **WU** - Work Unit  
 Element Accession No.

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**Block 8. Performing Organization Report Number.** Enter the unique alphanumeric report number(s) assigned by the organization performing the report.

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## ATTACHMENT 1 – INSTRUCTIONS AND EVALUATION CRITERIA

### A. PROPOSAL PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

All proposals shall cite “Control # R320000724” on each package. Offerors shall provide the number of copies indicated in the table below to the NASA Langley Research Center no later than the dates and times indicated below. The applicable mailing address for the hard copies is as follows:

NASA Langley Research Center, Attn: MS 144/Bid Distribution Office, Bldg., 1195B, Room 125,  
Hampton, VA 23681.

In addition to the copies listed below for NASA Langley Research Center, offerors shall also provide two (2) hard copies of all proposals and two (2) CDs/disks of the cost proposal to the GSA contract office no later than the dates and times indicated. However, only 1 written copy of the ISO documentation is required to be submitted to GSA. The applicable mailing address is as follows:

GSA Mid-Atlantic Region, FTS/3TS – ATTN: Nancy Ballay, 100 Penn Square East, Rm. 820,  
Philadelphia, PA 19107

Offerors may hand deliver proposals to the addresses indicated prior to the time and date established for receipt of proposals. However, offerors are cautioned that they assume complete responsibility for ensuring the delivery of the proposals. The GSA Philadelphia office is the official location for receipt of proposal for the purposes of determining later proposals.

Offerors proposals shall address three factors: (1) Technical, (2) Past Performance, and (3) Cost. Proposals addressing these factors shall be submitted to NASA Langley Research Center as specified below:

Factor 1, Technical				
Staffing	Oral Presentation	No more than 75 charts and 2-page resume	9 copies	Presentation to be scheduled; written charts and resume due October 30, 2000, 4:00 p.m. ET
Management Approach	Oral Presentation			
ISO Compliance	Written	No page limit	2 copies	October 30, 2000, 4:00p.m. ET
Subcontracting Plan	Written	No page limit	9 copies	October 30, 2000, 4:00p.m. ET
Factor 2, Past Performance				
Past performance information	Written	No page limit	9 copies	Requested October 13, 2000; due October 30, 2000, 4:00 p.m. ET
Factor 3, Cost Proposal				
Cost proposal	Written	No page limit	9 copies	October 30, 2000, 4:00p.m. ET
Cost proposal	Disks/CD		1 copy	October 30, 2000, 4:00p.m. ET

#### 1. Oral Proposal

a) A portion of the technical proposal (Staffing and Management Approach) for this TO shall be presented in the form of an oral proposal using not more than 75 charts and a two-page resume for the proposed Project Manager. Charts submitted in excess of 75 pages will not be evaluated by the Government. Charts shall be designed for 8 ½-inch by 11-inch format, numbered consecutively, and contain Arial font text with a font size of no less than 14 pt. Tables and graphics in a chart for the oral presentation/proposal can be 12 pt. The Offerors may not change their presentation charts after submission to the Government by the date specified above.

b) The length of the presentation shall be no more than 90 minutes. Any of the 75 charts submitted, but not presented, will be considered without amplification. There will be a 1 ½ hour break and then the Government will ask clarification questions if needed. The format is:



<b>Description</b>	<b>Time limit (Minutes)</b>
Presentation	90
Break	90
Proposal Clarification	60

During the clarification period, the Government may request clarification of any of the points addressed during the oral presentation which are unclear and may ask for elaboration by the offeror on any point that was not adequately supported in the oral proposal. Any such interchange between the offeror and the Government will be for clarification only, and will not constitute discussions.

- c) The Government will provide an overhead projector and screen. If offerors choose to make presentation from electronic media, they shall bring their own projection equipment. The Government will videotape the presentation. The Government will not ask questions during the presentation. Clarification questions will be asked during the scheduled clarification period.
- d) The Source Evaluation Team and representatives from GSA will attend the presentations.
- e) The presenters shall include the Program Manager and other personnel deemed key by the offeror (limit of five attendees). To facilitate obtaining badges for the attendees, provide no more than 5 names to the LaRC point of contact via fax (757-864-7898) or email to l.m.harvey@larc.nasa.gov by October 31, 2000. Please submit via fax or email the form included in these instructions indicating the names of employees who will be attending the oral presentation.
- f) The offerors will be notified not later than November 6, 2000, of the time and place for the oral presentation to the Government. The order of the presentations will be randomly chosen by the Government.

## **2. Written Proposal**

The ISO Compliance Documentation, Subcontracting Plan, Cost Proposal, and Past Performance information shall be submitted in written form. The ISO Documentation and Past Performance information shall each be bound separately. The Subcontracting Plan and Cost Proposal can be submitted together in one volume. All volumes should be labeled "1 of 9," "2 of 9," etc. All shall be submitted no later than October 30, 2000; however, Past Performance information is requested by October 13, 2000, to assist the Government in timely award. There are no page limits on these submittals. Font sizes 10 pt or larger shall be used. The pages of each submittal shall be numbered consecutively.

### **B. BIDDERS LIBRARY**

An electronic Bidder's Library is located at <http://larcpubs.larc.nasa.gov/conits/>. This library is for information purposes only to allow the offerors an opportunity to become more familiar with the environment at Langley Research Center. In the case of conflicting information, the TOR takes precedence; however, the offeror should notify the Government and request clarification.

### **C. EVALUATION CRITERIA**

A cost-plus-award-fee proposal is requested in response to this TOR. The award decision for this TOR requirement will be made by the GSA Contracting Officer based upon a best-value determination. The combined factors of Technical and Past Performance will be significantly more important than Cost.

**IMPORTANT:** The Government anticipates making an award based upon initial offers received; therefore, offerors shall ensure they submit their most advantageous proposal for consideration.

## 1. **Factor 1, Technical Proposal**

No cost information shall be presented in the Technical Proposal. The technical proposal should address the following factors:

### a. **Staffing (Oral)**

The Government's estimated staffing requirements are located in Attachment 2, which is an Excel spreadsheet.

(1) Competition for qualified IT personnel is high in the Hampton Roads area as it is nationwide. Effective strategies for attracting and retaining qualified personnel is essential to the successful accomplishment of the Government's requirements on the proposed TO. Describe your specific plans and/or approaches for the following:

- (a) Initial staffing of the TO. Include the percentages of the total initial workforce that you expect to obtain from various sources such as incumbent retention, outside recruitment, etc.
- (b) Attracting and retaining qualified personnel, including the timely replacement of personnel.
- (c) Ensuring employees' skills remain current with technology changes.
- (d) Responding to workload surges, new Task Assignments, or changes in Government requirements.
- (e) Drawing on resources (either inside or outside of your company/subcontractor) for enhancing your performance under this TO. Provide a description of the types of resources that are readily available for this purpose.

(2) Identify critical skills (highly technical specialties) and describe your strategies for maintaining these skills on the Task Order at all times to permit effective performance.

(3) Describe any other staffing challenges (e.g., difficult to locate positions) that you anticipate facing in view of the scope of the proposed TO and your plans for meeting those challenges.

(4) Provide a resume for your proposed Program Manager detailing education, experience, and other qualifications as they relate to the proposed TO. Include references outside your company, with telephone numbers, who are knowledgeable of this person's qualifications for the position.

### b. **Management Approach (Oral)**

(1) Provide a phase-in plan for the proposed TO which provides a description and schedule for all phase-in activities, including staffing, facility, equipment, materials, etc. Also address the CAPS Phase-in on June 1, 2001. For purposes of establishing your phase-in schedule, assume TO award by December 18, 2000, and TO start February 1, 2001.

(2) LaRC is consolidating IT services under two major LaRC contracts (ODIN and CONITS) in an effort to obtain efficiencies, synergy, cost savings, economies of scale, consistency in service, etc. Provide your ideas and strategies for effecting these and other improvements in CONITS, including any innovative staffing approaches.

(3) This consolidated procurement provides a wide range and breadth of IT services, from business IT support to high-end scientific IT support. Discuss the challenges you will face in managing these multiple objectives and provide your approach for ensuring that all customers on this task order, large and small, are provided superior support.

(4) Provide your proposed TO organization; placement and reporting within your company; and the duties, responsibilities, and authority of key positions and any identified lead positions, if

proposed. Provide the percentage of time to be spent by any working technical leads performing task assignment work versus technical leadership functions. Discuss the integration of any subcontract effort with the prime.

(5) Discuss your approach for interfacing with the ODIN contractor; also discuss your approach to interfaces with other contractors, any subcontractors, and the government. Identify and describe any planned formal agreements.

(6) Provide any proposed metrics for determining quality of performance including customer satisfaction on this Task Order.

(7) Describe your approach to providing an authentication capability related to the use of smart cards, tokens or other technologies coupled with a Virtual Private Network (VPN) in accordance with the requirements of NPG 2810.1. (A copy of this document is located at the bidder's library).

**c. ISO Compliance (Written)**

The offeror shall submit the following information to demonstrate the effectiveness of its quality system:

(1) Offerors which are ISO 9001 compliant (as defined in Paragraph 25) at Proposal Due Date - Offerors which are ISO 9001 compliant at the date the proposals are due shall provide a copy of their quality system manual. Such offerors shall also provide their quality system procedures that address: (a) contract and subcontract management, (b) customer requirement review and execution, (c) task management, including work order generation and processing, (d) document control, (e) handling of customer supplied product, (f) corrective and preventive action, (g) training of employees, and (h) design control for software development. Offerors which are not ISO compliant are not required to submit a quality system manual or quality system procedures. However, those offerors that submit these documents demonstrating an effective quality system have the potential to be given the most favorable treatment possible under this evaluation element.

(a) All Offerors: All offerors shall submit a quality planning procedure as described in Section 4.2 of ANSI/ISO/ASQC Q9001-1994, Quality Systems Model for Quality Assurance in Production, Installation, and Servicing. This quality planning procedure shall describe how the offeror will develop quality system documentation or modify existing quality system documentation to control work activities specific to this TO.

(b) Offerors Which are Not Yet ISO Compliant: Offerors which are not ISO compliant at the date the proposals are due should submit a letter from an appropriate company official expressing its commitment to become compliant within nine months of the TO effective date in accordance with Paragraph 25.

(2) An evaluation will be made of the effectiveness of the offeror's quality system. The offeror's quality system manual will be evaluated to establish that the offeror has an operational system which will be utilized to ensure that product delivered or services provided meet LaRC specified requirements. The offeror's quality system procedures will be evaluated for soundness and completeness and to establish that the offerors has adequately addressed the applicable ANSI/ISO/ASQC Q9001 requirements. The offeror's quality planning procedure will be evaluated to gain insight into the methods the offeror will utilize to address LaRC requirements and the soundness and completeness of these methods. For those offerors that are not ISO compliant at the date the proposals are due, the Government will evaluate the offeror's expressed corporate commitment to become compliant. Offerors which submit a quality system manual, quality system procedures, and a quality planning procedure demonstrating an effective quality system have the potential to be given the most favorable treatment possible under this evaluation element.

**d. Small Business Participation (Written)**

It is the policy of the Government to provide the maximum practicable opportunity to participate in performing its procurements to small business, small disadvantaged business, women-owned small business concerns, and HUBZone small businesses.) The Government has determined that a reasonable goal for this

procurement for subcontracting to SB concerns overall is \*25% of the TO price, to SDB's is 15%, to Women-Owned small businesses is 3%, and to HUBZone is 0.5%. Please provide your Subcontracting Plan for this TO in accordance with FAR 52.219-9.

(\*NOTE: the 25% is inclusive of all other goals.)

The Government will evaluate the reasonableness of the proposed goals, the proposed approach to meeting the goals; the extent to which the offeror has identified specific small businesses, the extent of commitment to use small business concerns (i.e. enforceable commitments are to be weighed more heavily than non-enforceable ones); types, amount, complexity of work to be performed by small businesses and the realism of the plan. The offeror selected for award shall forward an electronic copy of this plan to the GSA Contacting Officer for incorporation into the TO.

**2. Factor 2, Past Performance (Written) REQUESTED: 10/13/00 DUE: 10/30/00**

a. The offeror shall describe at least three contracts/subcontracts that its firm has performed (or is performing) which are related and similar in size and scope to the proposed TO. The Contractor shall also describe at least three contracts performed by (or being performed by) each of its first-tier subcontractors providing direct labor. The Government will place greater value on experience that is directly related to the proposed TO. For each described contract/subcontract, the offeror shall include contracting and technical points of contact with current phone numbers and titles to allow the Government to verify experience and past performance information contained in the proposal. For each contract, describe the relevance to the proposed TO in addition to a summary for each on overall technical, schedule and cost performance. This information is requested by October 13, 2000, and is due by October 30, 2000, as indicated in the chart above.

b. This factor includes the evaluation of overall corporate or offeror experience and past performance, but not the experience and performance of proposed individuals who are to be involved with work pursuant to this proposed TO.

c. The offeror shall forward a copy of Attachment 3, Past Performance Questionnaire, to three references for the prime and for each proposed subcontractor. The questionnaire should be completed by the references and returned to the NASA Contract Specialist. It is requested that your references return (via fax, regular mail, express mail, or e-mail) this form to the LaRC Contract Specialist by October 13, 2000. The address, fax and e-mail information is listed on the first page of Attachment 3, Past Performance Questionnaire. The offeror should follow up with the references to ensure that the questionnaires are returned. While the Government may elect to consider data obtained from other sources, the burden of providing relevant references that the Government can readily contact rests with the offeror.

**3. Factor 3, Cost (Written)**

**a. Cost Proposal**

No technical information shall be presented in the Cost Proposal. The offeror's cost proposal shall detail the proposed costs for each potential year of this requirement. The cost proposal shall present a breakdown of labor categories and hours which corresponds directly with Attachment 2, Government Estimated Staffing, and supports the offeror's technical proposal. The cost proposal shall also include detail and provide support for proposed labor, indirect, and escalation rates. The burdened labor rates should also include all IT training costs as stated in the Paragraph H-10 of the contract. Only specialized training will be directly charged to the task assignments. Proposals shall be based on the contractor's established contract rates, including any discounts offerors propose on those rates. The offeror should complete Attachment 4, Bid Schedules, as part of its proposal. Attachment 4 shall also be completed for any first-tier subcontractor providing direct labor. To reflect the Phase-In of the CAPS effort on June 1, 2001, Year 1 has been separated into two Bid Schedules.

**NOTE:** The offeror should also complete Exhibit B, Labor Loaded Rates and Travel, Tools, And Other Direct Costs (ODC) Indirect Handling Rates. The offeror should provide fully loaded direct labor rates (excluding fee) for all labor categories (even those that do not include hours in Attachment 4, Bid Schedules).

Exhibit B also includes a list of indirect rates that shall be completed by the offeror. An Exhibit B shall also be completed for each first-tier subcontractor providing direct labor.

**IMPORTANT:** The "FTE's" specified on the Bid Schedules are estimates to be used only for the proposal purpose of establishing "Total Cost," and are based on historical requirements and do not commit the Government. Actual staffing will depend on TA's issued. The Government will evaluate the proposed costs for the base year and all options for reasonableness and realism. For proposal purposes, offerors shall assume the following for TA travel costs, specialized tools, and ODC's (subcontracted hardware and software maintenance, etc.) each year of the Task Order:

The Base Period cost is adjusted to reflect start of CAPS effort on 6/1/01  
Option Period 7 cost is adjusted to reflect 15 months

	<b>Travel</b>	<b>Specialized Tools</b>	<b>ODC's</b>
	<b>(\$K)</b>	<b>(\$K)</b>	<b>(\$K)</b>
<b>BASE YEAR (2/01/01-5/31/01)</b>	33	40	200
<b>BASE YEAR (6/01/01 – 1/31/02)</b>	65	100	1149
<b>First Option Period</b>	121	200	2976
<b>Second Option Period</b>	127	210	3125
<b>Third Option Period</b>	133	221	3281
<b>Fourth Option Period</b>	140	232	3446
<b>Fifth Option Period</b>	147	244	3618
<b>Sixth Option Period</b>	154	256	3799
<b>Seventh Option Period</b>	203	336	4986

The offeror shall propose facilities costs (as defined in Paragraph 15 of the TO) pursuant to their established accounting system and clearly identify where these costs are considered in their proposal. As the Contractor is expected to provide facilities, these costs should not be charged direct to the TO. Note that access to unique and expensive software packages/seat licenses and UNIX workstations may be made available by the Government on an as-needed basis per task assignment.

Although the Government will not, in general, be providing "Facilities" under the resultant contract, the current list of Government-provided facilities for the GEOLAB, DVAL, and GIS is available for information purposes only and is listed in the respective CAPS task assignments located in the Bidder's Library.

Working technical leads (with minimal or no supervisory duties) may be drawn from the Government Staffing Plan; however, any additional management (other than Program Manager) or administrative positions (i.e., procurement, administrative clerical, etc.) shall be added to Attachment 4.

Since hours proposed may vary among offerors, provide the basis for the productive work-year proposed.

Offerors shall clearly indicate what, if any, indirect rates will be applied to travel, tools, and ODC's. These rates will be used in the evaluation when calculating the contractor's total price. Offerors are advised that they will not be permitted to apply a burden rate of any kind to travel or ODC costs after award except to the extent that application of such burden is consistent with their proposal. Offerors shall include within their proposal a copy of their most recent Defense Contract Audit Agency (DCAA) rate approval or provisional rate approval letter in support of all indirect rates utilized within their proposal. If not clearly shown on the DCAA letter, offerors shall also provide the name and phone number of their cognizant DCAA auditor.

It is anticipated that the majority of the general-purpose (COTS-type) equipment (i.e., computer seats) and associated software used directly by the Government will be maintained/provided by the Center's ODIN contractor. The scheduled effective date of ODIN at LaRC is November 1, 2000. General information regarding ODIN can be found at: <http://www-odin.larc.nasa.gov/>. The Government will provide all network connections (LaRCNet) for all contract personnel located on-site. The NASA ODIN contract has a provision that allows a NASA Contractor to contract directly with ODIN for ADP hardware and maintenance.

Phase-In Costs--These costs, if proposed, should be fully detailed and supported. Any costs associated with the development/customization of an Electronic Task Assignment System, Section 3.3 of the SOW, should be addressed herein.

**b. Computerized Cost Proposal Input Instructions**

The Government intends to use personal computers with Windows EXCEL 97 software to aid in the evaluation of the cost proposal. Offerors shall include a 3-1/2 inch diskette or CD in a format that can be opened with the specified software. For GSA, one copy of the disk or CD shall be Read-Only, while the other copy shall allow for modifications by the Government during the evaluation process. Computerized cost data must be the identical data/information and format as that submitted in the paper proposal. In the event of any inconsistency between the diskettes and the paper proposal, the paper proposal will be considered the intended version. Any questions related to the computerized cost proposal shall be directed to Nancy Ballay at 215-656-6308.

Each diskette submitted must have an external label attached to it marked with the Offeror's Name and the solicitation number. It is preferred that all data/information be provided under one file; however, if the information you are submitting requires more than one file, save all files under one directory. All linking must be within that directory. There shall be no external links. Your cost files/directory name must begin with at least the first four letters of your company's name or normal abbreviation, for example, Always Be Careful, Inc. cost file would be Always.wk4 or ABCI.xlw. ALL ELECTRONIC COST SUBMISSIONS SHALL BE TRUE SELF-CALCULATING SPREADSHEETS. Any "absolute values" must be explained and supported. The Government intends to include the labor rates and indirect rates proposed for each contract year in the resultant contract for pricing individual task orders. Therefore, Exhibit B, must be completed for the offeror and any subcontractor providing direct labor and must be submitted with your proposal.

The offeror should ensure that the cost proposal is consistent with the technical proposal in all respects since the cost proposal and Attachment 4 will be used during our cost realism assessment as an aid to determine the offeror's understanding of the technical requirements. For example, your proposed labor rates and fringe benefits should correspond directly with your plan for attracting and retaining qualified personnel as presented in your technical proposal. Discrepancies may be viewed as a lack of understanding.

We realize that the prospective offerors other than the incumbent do not have access to actual incumbent employee salary rates. Accordingly, we do not expect all proposals that incorporate the use of incumbent personnel to reflect the incumbent rates. However, we do expect offerors to propose rates that are reasonable and realistic in relation to the proposed technical approach and associated skill mix. We will not penalize offerors in our Cost Realism assessment merely because the proposed rates do not reflect the actual rates of incumbent employees. We may, of course, consider the actual incumbent rates, when appropriate, in developing our probable cost adjustments during the cost evaluation.

**c. Award Fee --Offerors should provide rationale and support for the award fee proposed.**

**ATTACHMENT 2—GOVERNMENT ESTIMATED STAFFING**  
(See Excel Spreadsheet)

**GENERAL POSITION DESCRIPTIONS**

All LaRC position titles that do not contain a specialty area identified in parenthesis cover multiple areas of expertise identified in the Government Estimated Staffing Excel document.

**LaRC Position Title /**  
*Millennia Labor Category*

**General Position Description**

**Program Manager/**  
*Master IT Analyst*

Should have a Master of Science Degree in Engineering, Computer Science, Information Management Systems, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, or a related field.

Should have ten (10) years of progressive experience in the IT field, including five (5) years of management experience in efforts of similar size and scope.

Manages the basic Task Order work in accordance with the terms of the task order and serves as primary point of contact with appropriate Government personnel on technical and administrative matters. Responsible for selection, promotion, awards, training, separation, disciplinary actions, and day to day operation and management of the Task Order. Responsible for general work assignments, staff utilization, productivity and compliance with terms of the contract, Task Order, and task assignments. Responsible for submitting reports in accordance with terms of the contract and Task Order.

**LaRC Position Title /**  
**Millennia Labor Category**

**Master Analyst/**  
**Master IT Analyst**

**General Position Description**

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science, Information Management Systems, or a related field.

Should have at least ten (10) years of progressive experience in the IT field including four (4) years of supervision of substantial IT projects. Supervision experience should have been gained within past five (5) years.

Two areas of experience are defined for these highly specialized skills.

One position should have the following:

- 1) Experience should include www/Internet technologies, including web-based application development, SQL database systems including Sybase, Informix, and/or Oracle. Should have in-depth knowledge in the areas of object oriented concepts, including CORBA and Java. Should have demonstrated experience in applying progressive technologies to solve technical problems. Should have in depth knowledge of Cold Fusion and related Web tools. Should have demonstrated experience in applying system life cycle theory and security policies to applications. Should have experience in configuration control practices and risk assessments. Should have experience in acquiring and managing customer requirements.

One position should have the following:

- 2) Experience should include all areas involved with Unix (specifically Sun or SGI) system administration including software installation and upgrade, user account management, implementation of security controls and software including TCP wrappers, backup/recovery, and disaster/recovery. Should have knowledge of computer security practices. Should have demonstrated experience in applying progressive technologies to solve technical problems. Should have experience in configuration control practices and risk assessments. Should have experience in acquiring and managing customer requirements. Should have experience in strategic planning for a Unix server environment. Certifications within the various specialty areas are desirable.



**LaRC Position Title /**  
**Millennia Labor Category**

**General Position Description**

**Project Analyst/**  
**Senior IT Analyst**

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science, Information Management Systems, or a related field.

Should have at least eight (8) years of progressive experience in the IT field including two (2) years of supervision of substantial IT projects. Supervision experience should have been gained within past four (4) years.

Experience should include www/Internet technologies, including web-based application development and SQL database systems including Sybase, Informix, and/or Oracle. Should have in-depth knowledge in the areas of object oriented concepts, including CORBA and Java. Should have demonstrated experience in applying progressive technologies to solve technical problems. Should have demonstrated experience in applying system life cycle theory and security policies to applications. Should have experience in configuration control practices and risk assessments. Should have experience in acquiring and managing customer requirements. The Project Analyst for Scientific Applications should additionally have at least six (6) years of experience in scientific and mission software support in a research environment.

**Project Analyst (High Performance Computing)/**  
**Senior IT Analyst**

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, Computer Science, or a related field.

Should have eight (8) years experience in the development of scientific applications in the field of aerospace engineering for high performance computing systems. At least 4 years experience in developing frameworks for applications in multidisciplinary design and optimization on highly parallel or distributed parallel systems. Should have experience in the analysis, debugging, optimization and performance monitoring for large engineering applications.

Should have expert knowledge of object oriented programming techniques in distributed and parallel computing environments using CORBA and the JAVA, C, C++, and FORTRAN programming languages on multiple platforms, including Sun Solaris, IBM AIX, SGI IRIX, and Windows NT. Should be proficient in using emerging technologies for component-based application development.

**Project Analyst (Data Visualization)/**  
**Senior IT Analyst**

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, Computer Science, or a related field.

Should have eight (8) years experience in the design, development, and utilization of data visualization software on high speed graphics workstations (SGI and Sun). Should have good working knowledge of the application of visualization methods, computer graphics, image processing, virtual reality, and web/multimedia tools and techniques to scientific problems.

**LaRC Position Title /**  
*Millennia Labor Category*

**General Position Description**

**Project Analyst (Geographic  
Information Systems)/**  
*Senior IT Analyst*

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Geographic Information Systems, Engineering, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, Computer Science, or a related field.

Should have eight (8) years experience in the design, development, and utilization of geographic information systems (GIS) software/tools and techniques on UNIX and Windows NT platforms. Should have a good working knowledge of GIS software and tools, including ARC/INFO, ArcView, Avenue, Arc Macro Language (AML). Knowledge and experience in additional programming languages (Visual Basic and C++) is recommended as well as experience in the use of relational database management systems and software. Experience in the use and application of Global Positioning System (GPS) equipment and associated software is required.

**Project Analyst (Data Management,  
Scientific Applications)/**  
*Senior IT Analyst*

Should have a bachelor of science degree in engineering, mathematics, physical sciences, computer science, information management system, or a related field.

Should have eight (8) years experience in designing, implementing and documenting database applications using a commercially available database management system (DBMS) on a variety of computer architectures (NT, Unix, and Macintosh) in both production and research environments. Should have experience in defining and modeling user data requirements, designing and implementing graphical user interfaces to the database application, using tools for developing rapid prototypes for database applications, and using the Standard Query Language (SQL) and embedded SQL. Should have experience with distributed data management, including experience with Open Database Connectivity (ODBC) and Java Database Connectivity (JDBC). Should have experience with Informix and Oracle. The Project Analyst for Scientific Applications should additionally have at least six (6) years of experience in scientific and mission software support in a research environment.

**LaRC Position Title /**  
*Millennia Labor Category*

**General Position Description**

**Project Analyst (Mission Software)/**  
*Senior IT Analyst*

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering, Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, or a related field.

Should have eight (8) years experience in the total system design, development, testing, and integration of real-time, embedded instrument control software and associated ground support software. Should possess a strong working knowledge of software development environments, embedded system tools, and modern software engineering practices. Should also possess a strong software engineering background which includes experience with all phases of the software development life cycle such as cost estimation, requirements, design, implementation, testing, and maintenance. Should also be experienced with software process elements such as evolutionary spiral models, waterfall models, incremental builds, prototyping, object-oriented principles, metrics collection and analysis, verification and validation, quality assurance, CASE tools, and configuration management.

**Project Analyst (Surface Modeling and**  
**Grid Generation)/**  
*Senior IT Analyst*

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, Computer Science, or a related field.

Should have eight (8) years experience in grid generation techniques including structured and unstructured methods to produce three dimensional grids suitable for Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD) and Computational Structural Mechanics (CSM) analyses. Should possess a good working knowledge of state-of-the-art computer aided design software, surface modeling techniques, data exchange standards for geometry and grids, standard CFD and CSM analysis software as applied to the design of aerospace vehicles, multi-disciplinary optimization techniques, and digital scanner technology and software, as well as grid generation techniques.

**LaRC Position Title /**  
**Millennia Labor Category**

**General Position Description**

**Project Analyst (Mass Storage Systems)/**  
**Senior IT Analyst**

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science, Information Management Systems, or a related field.

Should have at least eight (8) years of progressive experience in the IT field including two (2) years of supervision of substantial IT projects. Supervision experience should have been gained within past four (4) years.

Experience should include all areas involved with Unix (specifically Sun or IBM) system administration including software installation and upgrade, user account management, implementation of security controls and software including TCP wrappers, backup/recovery, and disaster/recovery. Should have demonstrated experience in applying progressive technologies to solve technical problems. Should have experience in configuration control practices and risk assessments. Should have experience in acquiring and managing customer requirements. Should have experience in strategic planning for a Unix server environment. Certifications within the various specialty areas are desirable.

Experience should include areas involving mass storage hardware and software technologies and the development of system and user interfaces using a variety of programming languages (e.g. C, C++, Perl, and Java).

**Senior System Analyst/**  
**Journeyman IT Analyst**

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Information Management Systems, or a related field.

Should have at least six (6) years of progressive experience in Unix system administration with experience gained within the last seven years.

Experience should include all areas of administration involving Unix computing platforms in a heterogeneous computing environment (Sun/Solaris, SGI/IRIX, HP/HP-UX, DEC/Ultrix, or IBM/AIX, Linux). Required system administration functions include script development, software and hardware installation and upgrade, user account management, network coordination, implementation of security controls and software including TCP wrappers, backup/recovery, and disaster/recovery. Should have knowledge of computer security practices. Should have experience with applications development and peripheral equipment associated with an integrated computing environment. Should have demonstrated experience in applying progressive new technologies to solve technical problems. Should have experience in configuration control practices and risk assessments and have experience in acquiring and managing customer requirements. Should have experience in strategic planning for a Unix server environment. Should have experience in managing large-scale computing environments.

**LaRC Position Title /**  
**Millennia Labor Category**

**General Position Description**

**Journeyman System Analyst/**  
**Apprentice IT Analyst**

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Information Management Systems, or a related field.

Should have at least four (4) years of progressive experience in the Unix system administration field with experience gained within the last five- (5) years.

Experience should include all areas of Unix system administration in a primarily Sun/Solaris and SGI/IRIX environment to include software installation and upgrade, user account management, implementation of security controls and software including TCP wrappers, backup/recovery, and disaster/recovery. Should have knowledge of computer security practices. Should have experience with applications development and peripheral equipment associated with an integrated computing environment. Should have demonstrated experience in applying progressive technologies to solve technical problems. Should have experience in configuration control, asset management, and risk assessments. Should have experience in acquiring and managing customer requirements and managing small-scale computing environments.

**Journeyman System Analyst (Network Analyst)/**  
**Apprentice IT Analyst**

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Information Management Systems, or a related field.

Should have four (4) years of experience in working with local area networks at a technical, hands-on level. The candidate shall have knowledge of the latest existing network hardware, network protocols, cabling architectures, and network software, including network management software. Should be familiar with state of the art network diagnostic tools and equipment and have a working knowledge of existing network standards (IEEE, etc).

**Junior System Analyst/**  
**Junior IT Analyst**

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science, Information Management Systems, or a related field.

Should have at least two (2) years of progressive experience in the IT field. Should have two years experience as a computer operator.

Experience should include the operations of a variety of IT equipment, including Unix servers, hardware required to access remote servers, high-speed copiers and printers. Should have experience managing aspects related to computer operations including user support, print and execution job queue management. Should have knowledge of computer security practices. Should have experience in acquiring and managing customer requirements. Should have the ability to maintain a fully operational production computer environment.

**LaRC Position Title /**  
**Millennia Labor Category**

**General Position Description**

**Senior Programmer Analyst/  
 Journeyman IT Analyst**

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science, Information Management Systems, or a related field.

Should have at least six (6) years of progressive experience in the database management field. Should have at least two (2) years of database administration experience using a major SQL database server, with this experience gained in the last three years. Should have formal database administration training in at least one major SQL database server.

Experience should include www/Internet technologies, including web-based application development, SQL database systems including Sybase, Informix, and/or Oracle. Should have in-depth knowledge in the areas of object oriented concepts, including CORBA and Java. Should have demonstrated experience in applying progressive technologies to solve technical problems. Should have demonstrated experience in applying system life cycle theory and security policies to applications. Should have experience in configuration control practices and risk assessments. Should have experience in acquiring and managing customer requirements. Should have knowledge of data modeling concepts and techniques.

**Senior Programmer Analyst (Mission  
 Software)/  
 Senior IT Analyst**

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering, Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, or a related field.

Should have six (6) years experience in the total system design, development, testing, and integration of real-time, embedded instrument control software and associated ground support software. Should possess a strong working knowledge of software development environments, embedded system tools, and modern software engineering practices. Should also possess a strong software engineering background which includes experience with all phases of the software development life cycle such as cost estimation, requirements, design, implementation, testing, and maintenance. Should also be experienced with software process elements such as evolutionary spiral models, waterfall models, incremental builds, prototyping, object-oriented principles, metrics collection and analysis, verification and validation, quality assurance, CASE tools, and configuration management.

**LaRC Position Title /**  
**Millennia Labor Category**

**General Position Description**

**Senior Programmer Analyst (Data  
Reduction)/**  
**Journeyman IT Analyst**

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Information Management Systems, Mathematics, or a related field.

Should have least six- (6) years of progressive experience in the acquisition, calculation, presentation, and management of scientific research data primarily with experience in the aeronautics arena of wind tunnel data reduction, or flight research, and laboratory testing. The candidate should have a least two (2) years of experience in supervising large scale IT projects which involve data reduction and data administration experience using programming languages including Fortran, C, C++, or Visual BASIC, with this experience gained on a project in the last five years.

Experience should include demonstrated working knowledge of complex computing and communications hardware and software systems, development of mathematical algorithms, software configuration management, data reduction/data visualization technologies, and data storage and archival techniques. The candidate should have demonstrated experience in applying progressive technologies to solve technical problems and in applying system life cycle theory and security policies to applications. Experience should include configuration control practices and risk assessments. Should have experience in acquiring and managing customer requirements. Should have knowledge of data modeling concepts and techniques and managing large-scale software development projects.

**Journeyman Programmer Analyst/  
Apprentice IT Analyst**

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science, Information Management Systems, or a related field.

Should have at least four (4) years of progressive experience in the IT field. Should have experience being involved in at least two significant IT projects. Role in at least one of the projects should have been significant and experience gained within the last two (2) years.

Experience should include www/Internet technologies including web-based application development, SQL database systems including Sybase, Informix, and/or Oracle. Should have in-depth knowledge in the areas of object oriented concepts including CORBA and Java. Should have demonstrated experience in applying progressive technologies to solve technical problems. Should have demonstrated experience in applying system life cycle theory and security policies to applications. Should have experience in configuration control practices and risk assessments. Should have experience in acquiring and managing customer requirements.

**LaRC Position Title /**  
**Millennia Labor Category**

**General Position Description**

**Journeyman Programmer Analyst  
 (Scientific)/**  
*Apprentice IT Analyst*

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, Computer Science, or a related field.

Should have five (5) years experience in the development of scientific computer programs to solve aerospace problems. Work will be conducted on large-scale computer systems, real-time computers, and specialized workstations. Should have one year of experience for the area of expertise for which they are proposed.

**Journeyman Programmer Analyst  
 (Data Reduction)/**  
*Apprentice IT Analyst*

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Information Management Systems, Mathematics, or a related field.

Should have least four- (4) years of progressive experience in the acquisition, data processing, presentation, and management of scientific research data with experience in data reduction, flight research, or laboratory testing. The candidate should have a least two (2) years of experience in small-scale IT projects which involve data reduction and data administration experience using programming languages (Fortran, C, C++, or Visual BASIC) with this experience gained in a project within the last three- (3) years.

Experience should include demonstrated working knowledge of complex computing and communications hardware and software systems, development of mathematical algorithms, software configuration management, data reduction/data visualization technologies, and data storage and archival techniques. The candidate should have demonstrated experience in applying progressive technologies to solve technical problems and in applying system life cycle theory and security policies to applications. Experience should include configuration control practices and risk assessments. Should have experience in acquiring and managing customer requirements. Should have knowledge of data modeling concepts and techniques and managing large-scale software development projects. Experience in aeronautical and structural testing techniques is desired.



**LaRC Position Title /**  
*Millennia Labor Category*

**General Position Description**

**Junior Programmer Analyst/**  
*Junior IT Analyst*

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science, Information Management Systems, or a related field.

Should have at least two (2) years of progressive experience in the IT field. Should have experience being involved in at least one significant IT projects. Role in the project should have been significant and experience gained within the last two (2) years.

Experience should include www/Internet technologies including web-based application development, SQL database systems including Sybase, Informix, and/or Oracle. Should have in-depth knowledge in the areas of object oriented concepts including CORBA and Java. Should have demonstrated experience in applying progressive technologies to solve technical problems. Should have demonstrated experience in applying system life cycle theory and security policies to applications. Should have experience in configuration control practices and risk assessments. Should have experience in acquiring and managing customer requirements.

**Junior Programmer Analyst**  
**(Scientific)/**  
*Junior IT Analyst*

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, Computer Science, or a related field.

Should have one to three (1-3) years experience in the development of scientific applications programs.

**Entry Level System**  
**Analyst/Programmer Analyst/**  
*Emerging Technology Expert*

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Information Management Systems, or a related field.

One (1) year of IT experience is desirable.

Experience may include: the operations of a variety of IT equipment, including Unix servers, high-speed copiers and printers; web development or database administration. Should have knowledge of computer security practices, networks, and computer job setup and submission, and a variety of COTS software.

**Security Specialist/**  
*Subject Matter Expert*

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science, Information Management Systems, or a related field.

Should have at least seven (7) years of progressive experience in the IT field including four (4) years of involvement in the IT security field within the last five years.

Should have experience and in-depth knowledge of IT security practices and policies. Should have in-depth knowledge of concepts such as encryption, public key infrastructure (PKI), authentication techniques, firewalls, virtual private networks, intrusion detection and monitoring, incident response, and hostile code detection. Should have in depth knowledge and experience applying security policies including industry best practices and Federal security policies. Should be experienced in risk and security assessments, vulnerability testing, and security audits.

**LaRC Position Title /**  
*Millennia Labor Category*

**General Position Description**

**Senior Computer Technician/**  
*Journeyman Technician*

Should have a high school diploma.

Should have at least five (5) years of progressive experience in the IT field. Should have three years experience as a computer operator.

Experience should include the operations of a variety of IT equipment including Unix servers, hardware required to access remote servers, high speed copiers and printers. Should have experience managing aspects related to computer operations including print and execution job queue management. Should have knowledge of computer security practices. Should have experience in acquiring and managing customer requirements. Should have the ability to maintain a fully operational production computer environment.

**Journeyman Computer Technician/**  
*Journeyman Technician*

Should have a high school diploma.

Should have at least three (3) years of progressive experience in the IT field. Should have one year experience as a computer operator.

Experience should include the operations of a variety of IT equipment including Unix servers, hardware required to access remote servers, high speed copiers and printers. Should have experience managing aspects related to computer operations including print and execution job queue management. Should have knowledge of computer security practices. Should have experience in acquiring and managing customer requirements. Should have the ability to maintain a fully operational production computer environment.

**Computer Scientist/**  
*Journeyman IT Analyst*

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering, Mathematics, Physical Sciences, Computer Science, or a related field.

Should have eight (8) years experience in the development of large-scale applications or operating systems software. Should have experience in interpreting programming problems in terms of system software interface and hardware characteristics. Should have two (2) years of experience in the area of expertise for which proposed.

**Clerical/Clerical**

Should have a high school diploma.

Should have proficiency and demonstrated knowledge in the use of desktop systems including word processing and spreadsheet applications. Should have at least one (1) year of experience in general office environments.

Duties would include technical documentation work such as data entry, correspondence, procedures, and program documentation. Performs a variety of office related duties to include filing, copying, delivery, mailing, etc.

**LaRC Position Title /**  
**Millennia Labor Category**

**General Position Description**

**Technical Writer/**  
**Technical Writer**

Should have a Bachelor's Degree.

Should have five (5) years of experience developing, editing, and producing technical and graphic documentation for IT systems. Should have two (2) years of experience producing documentation for Government IT systems.

Duties would include reviewing and editing of highly complex written and graphic technical materials, including system configuration, documentation, studies, reports and other presentation graphics. Ensures compliance with standards of style and format, good usage of English, and overall structure and organization of material.

**Project Control Specialist/**  
**Project Control Officer**

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Information Management Systems, or a related field.

Should have seven (7) years of progressive IT experience including at least four projects in technical areas related to the S.O.W. At least one project must have occurred within the past year.

Duties would include maintaining project schedules and ensuring that deliverables are completed in a timely manner. Overseeing project control and cost projections. Supporting the Project Manager in the use of project management tools used for activity assignment, resource planning, and cost control. Ensuring the invoicing process provides the proper information and distribution on the invoices. Ensures smooth coordination consistent with the task order procedures. Ensures problem resolution and customer satisfaction for individual task assignments.

**Resource Control Analyst/**  
**Subject Matter Expert**

Should have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Computer Science, Computer Engineering, Information Management Systems, Business Administration, or a related field.

Should have six (6) years of experience in working quality management/control projects. Should have knowledge of the earned-value program management system; various system development methodologies and related software engineering processes (including testing and configuration management) standards and procedures; and ISO 9001.

Supports the organization in planning, performing, and monitoring quality management activities including process and product reviews and audits, process training, metrics collection and evaluation. Provides support in documenting and evaluating the effectiveness of processes and procedures. Assesses and tracks corrective and preventive actions and processes improvement initiatives. Supports analysis of schedule, cost, and budget variances.

### ATTACHMENT 3 -- PAST PERFORMANCE QUESTIONNAIRE

This evaluation should be completed by the Contracting Officer's Representative or Contracting Officer's Technical Representative (COR or COTR), Task Monitor (TM), or cognizant Contracting Officer.

*Please forward the completed evaluations to:  
Ms 126/Ms. Lisa Harvey, Contract Specialist  
9A Langley Blvd.  
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### INSTRUCTIONS, RATING DEFINITIONS

#### Instructions

This evaluation is intended to be completed as indicated below. For purposes of these evaluations, the term "project" is intended to mean "contract, delivery order, or task order". This package consists of the following:

<u>Section</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Who completes</u>
Section I	Basic contract information	Contractor being evaluated
Section II	Customer Evaluator identifying information	Customer Evaluator
Section III	Contractor Performance Report	Customer Evaluator

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#### Section I--To be completed by Contractor requesting evaluation.

Contract Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Task Order Number (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

Contract Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Contract Prime Contractor: \_\_\_\_\_

Contract Award Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Contract Completion Date (including options): \_\_\_\_\_

Contract Type: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please check all applicable blocks)

CPAF*	FFP
CPFF	Other
IDIQ	

\*Include adjective and/or numerical rating history for the contract (use last page if necessary):

#### Section II--To be completed by person performing the evaluation.

COTR/COR, TM, or CO Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Commercial Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Facsimile Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Section III--Rating Definitions:**

**Excellent**

The Contractor's performance is of exceptional merit; exemplary performance in a timely, efficient and economical manner; very minor (if any) deficiencies with no adverse effect on overall performance.

**Very Good**

The Contractor's performance has been very effective, fully responsive to the contract requirements; contract requirements accomplished in a timely, efficient and economical manner for the most part; only minor deficiencies.

**Good**

The Contractor's performance has been effective; fully responsive to contract requirements; reportable deficiencies, but with little identifiable effect on overall performance.

**Satisfactory**

The Contractor's performance meets or slightly exceeds minimum acceptable standards; adequate results; reportable deficiencies with identifiable, but not substantial, effects on overall performance.

**Poor/Unsatisfactory**

The Contractor's performance does not meet the minimum acceptable standards in one or more areas; remedial action required in one or more areas; deficiencies in one or more areas which adversely affect overall performance.

ITEM	8. FACTORS/RATINGS	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Satisfactory	Poor/Unsat.	N/A
7.							
	<b>Quality of Delivered Product/Service</b>						
1	What was the quality of the delivered IT product/service						
2	To what extent were the Contractor's technical reports and documentation accurate and complete?						
3	To what extent were the Contractor's business reports and documentation accurate and complete?						
4	Did the delivered product meet the specified requirements (If "No", please comment in the Narrative Summary)	<input type="checkbox"/>	YES			<input type="checkbox"/>	NO
	<b>Cost Control</b>						
5	Contractor's ability to manage costs within the contractor's control						
6	To what extent did the Contractor accurately estimate and control cost to complete work						
	<b>Timeliness of Performance</b>						
7	How would you rate the Contractor's initiative to identify and solve problems expeditiously						
8	Rate the Contractor's effectiveness in completion of major tasks, milestones, or deliverables on schedule						
9	Rate the Contractor's timeliness in committing adequate resources to meet the requirements and to successfully solve problems						
	<b>Program Management</b>						
10	Rate the Contractor's effectiveness in identifying risk factors and alternatives for alleviating risk						

7. ITEM	8. FACTORS/RATINGS	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Satisfactory	Poor/Unsat.	N/A
11	Overall performance in planning, scheduling, and monitoring						
12	Record in meeting goals for use of Small, Small Disadvantaged, and Woman Owned Small Business subcontractors						
13	To what extent did the Contractor coordinate, integrate, and provide for effective subcontractor management?						
14	To what extent was the Contractor effective in interfacing with the Government's staff?						
15	Timeliness of filling vacant positions						
16	Rate the Contractor's success in recruiting and maintaining fully trained and qualified personnel						
17	Responsiveness to changes in technical direction						
18	To what extent did the Contractor display initiative in meeting requirements?						
19	Rate the effectiveness of the Contractor's safety program						
20	Rate the effectiveness of the Contractor's use of management information systems to track and report performance, cost, etc.						
21							
	<b>Technical Performance/Experience</b>						
22	How would you rate the Contractor's performance/experience in System Administration in a campus-wide Unix environment?						
23	How would you rate the Contractor's performance/experience in Information Technology Security Administration?						
24	How would you rate the Contractor's performance/experience in large scale Business and Administrative Computing?						
25	How would you rate the Contractor's performance/experience in large scale Unix based Data Storage and Retrieval Systems?						
26	How would you rate the Contractor's performance/experience in Distributed Computing Technology such as DCS, CORBA?						
27	How would you rate the Contractor's performance/experience in Software Engineering?						
28	How would you rate the Contractor's performance/experience in High Performance Computing?						
29	How would you rate the Contractor's performance/experience in Surface Modeling and Grid Generation?						
30	How would you rate the Contractor's performance/experience in Data Visualization and Image Processing?						
31	How would you rate the Contractor's performance/experience in Database Information Systems?						

7. ITEM	8. FACTORS/RATINGS	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Satisfactory	Poor/Unsat.	N/A
32	How would you rate the Contractor's performance/experience in Data Analysis in an aeronautical and structural research test environment?						
33	How would you rate the Contractor's performance/experience in WWW/Internet Technology?						
34	How would you rate the Contractor's performance/experience in Customer Services including training?						
35	To what extent did the Contractor coordinate and integrate functional disciplines for effective technical performance						
	<b>Overall Evaluation</b>						
36	How would you rate the Contractor's <u>overall management performance</u> on this contract?						
37	How would you rate the Contractor's <u>overall technical performance</u> on this contract?						
38	Would you use this Contractor again? (If "No", please comment in the Narrative Summary)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>YES</b>			<input type="checkbox"/>	<b>NO</b>

**NARRATIVE SUMMARY** (Use this section to explain additional information not included above. Also, discuss any additional strengths and weaknesses of the Contractor.)

**Comments**

**ATTACHMENT 4 -- BID SCHEDULES FOR LABOR LOADED RATES AND TRAVEL, TOOLS,  
AND OTHER DIRECT COSTS (ODC) INDIRECT HANDLING RATES**

The following is a list of labor categories and their associated fully loaded direct labor cost per hour. These labor categories and rates will be used by the Government and Contractor to establish the estimated cost for individual TA's.

**FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR FOR BASE PERIOD February 1, 2001 – May 31, 2001**

<u>LABOR CATEGORIES</u>	<u>FTE's</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>Contractor Site</b>				
Master IT Analyst	1			
Senior IT Analyst	4			
Journeyman IT Analyst	14			
Apprentice IT Analyst	10			
Junior IT Analyst	10			
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert	2			
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician				
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer	2			
Emerging Technology Expert				
Clerical	2			
Technical Writer	1			
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>46</b>			
<b>Government Site</b>				
Master IT Analyst	2			
Senior IT Analyst	2			
Journeyman IT Analyst	26			
Apprentice IT Analyst	24			
Junior IT Analyst	24			
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert	3			
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician	4			
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer				
Emerging Technology Expert	4			
Clerical				
Technical Writer				
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>89</b>			
<b>TOTAL THROUGH 5/31/01</b>	<b>135</b>			



**FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR FOR BASE PERIOD (June 1, 2001 – January 31, 2002)**

<u>LABOR CATEGORIES</u>	<u>FTE's</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>Contractor Site</b>				
Master IT Analyst	1			
Senior IT Analyst	9			
Journeyman IT Analyst	31			
Apprentice IT Analyst	20			
Junior IT Analyst	17			
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert	2			
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician				
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer	2			
Emerging Technology Expert	3			
Clerical	2			
Technical Writer	1			
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>88</b>			
<b>Government Site</b>				
Master IT Analyst	2			
Senior IT Analyst	4			
Journeyman IT Analyst	32			
Apprentice IT Analyst	29			
Junior IT Analyst	24			
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert	3			
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician	4			
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer				
Emerging Technology Expert	5			
Clerical				
Technical Writer				
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>103</b>			
<b>TOTAL FOR 6/01/01 – 1/01/02</b>	<b>191</b>			

**FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR FOR FIRST OPTION PERIOD**

<b><u>LABOR CATEGORIES</u></b>	<b><u>FTE's</u></b>	<b><u>HOURS</u></b>	<b><u>FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>
<b><u>Contractor Site</u></b>				
Master IT Analyst	1			
Senior IT Analyst	9			
Journeyman IT Analyst	31			
Apprentice IT Analyst	20			
Junior IT Analyst	17			
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert	2			
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician				
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer	2			
Emerging Technology Expert	3			
Clerical	2			
Technical Writer	1			
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	88			
<b><u>Government Site</u></b>				
Master IT Analyst	2			
Senior IT Analyst	4			
Journeyman IT Analyst	32			
Apprentice IT Analyst	29			
Junior IT Analyst	24			
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert	3			
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician	4			
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer				
Emerging Technology Expert	5			
Clerical				
Technical Writer				
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	103			
<b>TOTAL FOR FIRST OPTION PERIOD</b>	191			

**FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR FOR SECOND OPTION PERIOD**

<u>LABOR CATEGORIES</u>	<u>FTE's</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>Contractor Site</b>				
Master IT Analyst	1			
Senior IT Analyst	9			
Journeyman IT Analyst	31			
Apprentice IT Analyst	20			
Junior IT Analyst	17			
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert	2			
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician				
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer	2			
Emerging Technology Expert	3			
Clerical	2			
Technical Writer	1			
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	88			
<b>Government Site</b>				
Master IT Analyst	2			
Senior IT Analyst	4			
Journeyman IT Analyst	32			
Apprentice IT Analyst	29			
Junior IT Analyst	24			
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert	3			
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician	4			
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer				
Emerging Technology Expert	5			
Clerical				
Technical Writer				
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	103			
<b>TOTAL FOR SECOND OPTION PERIOD</b>	191			

**FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR FOR THIRD OPTION PERIOD**

<u>LABOR CATEGORIES</u>	<u>FTE's</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>Contractor Site</b>				
Master IT Analyst	1			
Senior IT Analyst	9			
Journeyman IT Analyst	31			
Apprentice IT Analyst	20			
Junior IT Analyst	17			
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert	2			
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician				
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer	2			
Emerging Technology Expert	3			
Clerical	2			
Technical Writer	1			
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	88			
<b>Government Site</b>				
Master IT Analyst	2			
Senior IT Analyst	4			
Journeyman IT Analyst	32			
Apprentice IT Analyst	29			
Junior IT Analyst	24			
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert	3			
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician	4			
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer				
Emerging Technology Expert	5			
Clerical				
Technical Writer				
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	103			
<b>TOTAL FOR THIRD OPTION PERIOD</b>	191			

**FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR FOR FOURTH OPTION PERIOD**

<u>LABOR CATEGORIES</u>	<u>FTE's</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>Contractor Site</b>				
Master IT Analyst	1			
Senior IT Analyst	9			
Journeyman IT Analyst	31			
Apprentice IT Analyst	20			
Junior IT Analyst	17			
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert	2			
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician				
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer	2			
Emerging Technology Expert	3			
Clerical	2			
Technical Writer	1			
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	88			
<b>Government Site</b>				
Master IT Analyst	2			
Senior IT Analyst	4			
Journeyman IT Analyst	32			
Apprentice IT Analyst	29			
Junior IT Analyst	24			
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert	3			
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician	4			
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer				
Emerging Technology Expert	5			
Clerical				
Technical Writer				
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	103			
<b>TOTAL FOR FOURTH OPTION PERIOD</b>	191			

**FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR FOR FIFTH OPTION PERIOD**

<u>LABOR CATEGORIES</u>	<u>FTE's</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>Contractor Site</b>				
Master IT Analyst	1			
Senior IT Analyst	9			
Journeyman IT Analyst	31			
Apprentice IT Analyst	20			
Junior IT Analyst	17			
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert	2			
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician				
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer	2			
Emerging Technology Expert	3			
Clerical	2			
Technical Writer	1			
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	88			
<b>Government Site</b>				
Master IT Analyst	2			
Senior IT Analyst	4			
Journeyman IT Analyst	32			
Apprentice IT Analyst	29			
Junior IT Analyst	24			
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert	3			
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician	4			
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer				
Emerging Technology Expert	5			
Clerical				
Technical Writer				
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	103			
<b>TOTAL FOR FIFTH OPTION PERIOD</b>	191			

**FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR FOR SIXTH OPTION PERIOD**

<b><u>LABOR CATEGORIES</u></b>	<b><u>FTE's</u></b>	<b><u>HOURS</u></b>	<b><u>FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL</u></b>
<b><u>Contractor Site</u></b>				
Master IT Analyst				
Senior IT Analyst	1			
Journeyman IT Analyst	9			
Apprentice IT Analyst	31			
Junior IT Analyst	20			
Entry Level IT Trainee	17			
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert				
Senior Technician	2			
Journeyman Technician				
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer				
Emerging Technology Expert	2			
Clerical	3			
Technical Writer	2			
	1			
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	88			
<b><u>Government Site</u></b>				
Master IT Analyst				
Senior IT Analyst	2			
Journeyman IT Analyst	4			
Apprentice IT Analyst	32			
Junior IT Analyst	29			
Entry Level IT Trainee	24			
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert				
Senior Technician	3			
Journeyman Technician				
Technician	4			
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer				
Emerging Technology Expert				
Clerical	5			
Technical Writer				
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>				
	103			
<b>TOTAL FOR SIXTH OPTION PERIOD</b>				
	191			

**FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR FOR SEVENTH OPTION PERIOD**

<u>LABOR CATEGORIES</u>	<u>FTE's</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR COST PER HOUR</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
<b>Contractor Site</b>				
Master IT Analyst	1			
Senior IT Analyst	9			
Journeyman IT Analyst	31			
Apprentice IT Analyst	20			
Junior IT Analyst	17			
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert	2			
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician				
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer	2			
Emerging Technology Expert	3			
Clerical	2			
Technical Writer	1			
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	88			
<b>Government Site</b>				
Master IT Analyst	2			
Senior IT Analyst	4			
Journeyman IT Analyst	32			
Apprentice IT Analyst	29			
Junior IT Analyst	24			
Entry Level IT Trainee				
Senior Subject Matter Expert				
Subject Matter Expert	3			
Senior Technician				
Journeyman Technician	4			
Technician				
Junior Technician				
Procurement Mgt. Expert				
Project Control Officer				
Emerging Technology Expert	5			
Clerical				
Technical Writer				
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	103			
<b>TOTAL FOR SEVENTH OPTION PERIOD</b>	191			



### TRAVEL, TOOLS, AND OTHER DIRECT COSTS (ODC) INDIRECT HANDLING RATES

The following is a list of the Government estimates for the categories listed. The total cost computed below will be used for the purpose of computing "Total Cost" for evaluation and selection purposes.

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Total Cost</u>
<b>Base Period</b>			
Travel	98,000		
Tools	140,000		
ODC's (2/01/01 – 5/31/01)	200,000		
ODC's (6/01/01 – 01/31/02)	1,349,000		
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$1,587,000</b>		
<b>First Option Period</b>			
Travel	121,000		
Tools	200,000		
ODC's	2,976,000		
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$3,297,000</b>		
<b>Second Option Period</b>			
Travel	127,000		
Tools	210,000		
ODC's	3,125,000		
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$3,462,000</b>		
<b>Third Option Period</b>			
Travel	133,000		
Tools	221,000		
ODC's	3,281,000		
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$3,635,000</b>		
<b>Fourth Option Period</b>			
Travel	140,000		
Tools	232,000		
ODC's	3,446,000		
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$3,818,000</b>		
<b>Fifth Option Period</b>			
Travel	147,000		
Tools	244,000		
ODC's	3,618,000		
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$4,009,000</b>		
<b>Sixth Option Period</b>			
Travel	154,000		
Tools	256,000		
ODC's	3,799,000		
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$4,209,000</b>		
<b>Seventh Option Period</b>			
Travel	203,000		
Tools	336,000		
ODC's	4,986,000		
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$5,525,000</b>		

**SUMMARY OF FULLY LOADED DIRECT LABOR, ODC, AND FEE**

<b>BASE PERIOD</b>			
Direct Labor			
ODC's			
Fee	_____		
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>			
<b>FIRST OPTION PERIOD</b>			
Direct Labor			
ODC's			
Fee	_____		
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>			
<b>SECOND OPTION PERIOD</b>			
Direct Labor			
ODC's			
Fee	_____		
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>			
<b>THIRD OPTION PERIOD</b>			
Direct Labor			
ODC's			
Fee	_____		
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>			
<b>FOURTH OPTION PERIOD</b>			
Direct Labor			
ODCs			
Fee	_____		
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>			
<b>FIFTH OPTION PERIOD</b>			
Direct Labor			
ODCs			
Fee	_____		
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>			
<b>SIXTH OPTION PERIOD</b>			
Direct Labor			
ODCs			
Fee	_____		
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>			
<b>SEVENTH OPTION PERIOD</b>			
Direct Labor			
ODCs			
Fee	_____		
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>			
<b>TOTAL COST AND FEE</b>			

**ATTACHMENT 5 – FULL COST ACCOUNTING REPORT (SAMPLE)**

See attached Excel spreadsheet.

## ATTACHMENT 6

### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

**NOTE: THE ANSWERS TO SOME QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN CHANGED OR SLIGHTLY REWORDED (E.G. b.10). PLEASE READ CAREFULLY.**

#### **A. Task Order Questions:**

**1. Reference:** Paragraph 2(b): "...the Government reserves the right to increase the estimated CPAF of this TO by as much as 50% over the life of the TO, if necessary."

**Question:** Since the additional effort must "clearly fall within the scope of the Statement of Work", on what basis will the government use to increase both the estimated cost and award fee pools?

**ANSWER:** The Government may increase these amounts based on projections of or actual increased requirements. We will continue to place task assignments using the rates set forth in Exhibit B of the Task Order. Fee will be calculated in accordance with Paragraph 6 of the TO. Of course, any increase in estimated cost that results from overruns will be non-fee bearing.

**2. Reference:** TO Paragraph 7(f):

**Question:** Would the Government reconsider provisional billing of award fee after the first evaluation period if the contractor meets a minimum threshold of performance since evaluations are only occurring every six months?

**ANSWER:** No. The award fee pool for each period will depend on the actual task assignments issued. Therefore, the award fee pool will not be finalized until the end of each 6-month evaluation period. Accordingly, provisional fee payments will not be made under this TO.

**3. Reference: Draft TOR/4(f) page 3--**Given the size of the procurement, the six month evaluation periods, and the potential withholding of 15% of the award fee would you reconsider allowing for provisional award fee payments?

**ANSWER:** See answer to No. 2 above.

**4. Reference:** Paragraph 5(b)

**Question:** What is the definition of "tools" as referred to in this paragraph?

**ANSWER:** Tools is defined in the GSA contract paragraph C.5, Acquisition of Tools, and H.4.2, Tools.

**5. Reference: TO Paragraph 5(c)** What do we invoice for—actual costs for all services delivered, or actual labor hours at negotiated rates?

**ANSWER:** The Contractor should invoice for actual costs up to any Millennia contract ceilings. The CONITS Exhibit B and Attachment 4 rates will be used to establish the estimated cost for individual TA's. The Exhibit B rates are not ceilings.

**6. Reference: TO Paragraph 6(b)** Since the Award Fee pool is determined by all TAs that are anticipated for a particular evaluation period, what do we do for TAs that are not anticipated, but show up during the period . . . especially if they're started and completed in the period?

**ANSWER:** Since the award fee pools are dependent on task assignments issued, it will only be finalized at the end of the AF period.

**7. Reference: TO Paragraph 7(d)** Is the 85% threshold related to the fee for any evaluation period or for the entire contract?

**ANSWER:** Entire Contract.

**8. Reference: TO Paragraph 9** Since the emphasis is on completion form TAs, it would be better for the government and contractors if we could have some continuity (more than a single year) in the TAs themselves. To do this, we request that the government restructure the contract away from the one year with 7 one-year options to either a five-year base and a 3-year option; or 3-3-2, or some other similar arrangement.

**ANSWER:** The FINAL TOR includes a clause allowing for completion of tasks six (6) months beyond the completion date of the TO.

**B. Exhibit A, Statement of Work Questions:**

**1. Reference:** SOW, Section 3.3 Electronic Task Assignment System

**Question:** It's not clear whether the development/customization of such a system for use in this process is expected to be work performed under a CONITS TA. Is the offeror expected to have it in place at contract start, or should it be developed/customized during CONITS at offeror expense?

**ANSWER:** The offeror is expected to have the electronic task assignment system in place at TO start (2/1/01). Any costs for development/customization of such a system should be included in phase-in costs if proposed. The FINAL TOR Attachment 1 includes instructions regarding phase-in costs.

**2. Reference:** SOW, Section 4.7 – Customer Support

**Question:** The contractor needs to establish a signed service agreement with the ODIN contractor "by TO award". Should this be "by TO start" instead?

**ANSWER:** Yes, it should be TO start. This was corrected in the FINAL TOR.

**3. Reference:** SOW section 4.7 – Customer Support

**Question:** Could the ODIN contractor make available a model Service Level Agreement for all potential CONITS bidders?

**ANSWER:** A model does not currently exist. A civil service ODIN point of contact has been added to the Due Diligence Point of Contact list.

**4. Reference:** SOW section 4.1.1(b)

**Question:** Is a description of the ODIN contract's centralized asset management tool referred to in this section available?

**ANSWER:** The asset management tool to be used by ODIN is under development and should be available by TO award.

**5. Reference:** Paragraph 5.2, SOW

**Comment:** The items in this paragraph are listed as objectives and not elements of work; recommend updating along the lines of Section 6.5 and others

**ANSWER:** Noted. This will be considered in the FINAL TOR.

**6. Reference:** Paragraph 6.9 –6.11

**Comment:** Numerical designator for paragraph 6.10 is missing

**ANSWER:** Noted. This was corrected in the FINAL TOR.

**7. Reference: Exhibit A (SOW) Paragraph 4.1.2(a)** Is the contractor authorized to monitor systems remotely (i.e., from a location outside the LaRC boundaries)? Are there any limitations on the tools that the contractor can use to monitor system performance (are we free to use our own tools or are we obligated to use government provided tools)? What government approvals will be required should we decide to upgrade or change system management and administration tools?

**ANSWER:** The Contractor may use any method of monitoring and tools that they deem appropriate for CONITS requirements. However, they must be in accordance with NPG 2810.1.

**8. Reference 4.4 System Software Maintenance**

Must all systems software within the scope of this SOW be licensed "by a vendor" to the Government? Suppose, as in the case of the Linux OS, there is no vendor because the software is not sold. Does the Government mean that all systems software must be covered by commercial maintenance agreements (which are available for Linux and other Open Source systems?)

**ANSWER:** This will be clarified in the FINAL TOR.

## 9. Reference 4.5 Application Management

Approximately how many new software systems are anticipated to be developed each year under CONITS?

**ANSWER:** We have assumed that your definition of new software systems to be locally developed software as defined in 4.5, Item 3. On this basis, during the last year approximately 15 have been developed.

**10. Reference: Exhibit A (SOW) Paragraph 4.3(b).** Does the government have guidelines for determining “beyond economical repair” status of equipment?

**REVISED ANSWER:** The contractor shall evaluate requests for hardware maintenance repair to determine the economy of those repairs. For example, when the cost to repair exceeds 40% of the replacement cost of a unit, then a decision shall be made as to whether the unit is “beyond economical repair” (BER). At this point, the task area monitor or the COR shall be notified and brought into the decision process to determine the disposition of the unit.

**11. Reference: Exhibit A (SOW) Paragraph 4.4(b).** Is it correct to assume that title for all software upgrades and updates will reside with the Government? If the government decides to continue its current plan to contract a year at a time, will the government authorize software maintenance/support contracts that extend beyond the currently authorized contract period of performance?

**ANSWER:** Yes. See GSA Contract Paragraph C.5. It is permissible to issue maintenance agreements past the contract period of performance when it is advantageous to the Government (i.e. cost savings) and if maintenance agreements are issued on an annual basis requiring advance payment.

**12. Reference: Exhibit A (SOW) Paragraph 4.7(c)** Is the 2-hour requirement calculated from the time the call is handed off from ODIN to CONITS, or from the time the call is first received by ODIN?

**ANSWER:** The 2-hour increment is calculated when the call is forwarded from ODIN to CONITS. This was clarified in the FINAL TOR.

**13. Reference: Exhibit A (SOW) Paragraph 2 (final paragraph)** What level of trust relationships will the government establish/authorize between the contractor’s facility and LaRCNET?

**ANSWER:** The bidder’s library contains document LAPD 2810.2 which provides guidance on this issue.

### C. Exhibit C, Award Fee Questions:

**1. Reference:** Factor 1, Technical Performance says “Fee is earned on a per Task Assignment basis.....”

**Question:** Will the government do a performance evaluation on a task-by-task basis, such that the percentage awarded will be calculated against each task pool, or at the total contract level?

**ANSWER:** The Government will evaluate Factors 1 and 2 on a task-by-task basis. The result will be an extremely important data point in the evaluation. However, the Award Fee Board may apply judgment in arriving at final recommended amounts. (For example, see Part III, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> paragraphs; and Part IV, Factor 2, last paragraph of the Award Fee Plan).

**2. Reference:** Part IV, Factor 2:

**Comment:** In the example of Actual Cost < Negotiated Cost, should the sentence read: “[n is the percentage of the negotiated cost by which the *negotiated cost exceeds the actual cost*;...”?

**ANSWER:** Correct. This was revised in the FINAL TOR.

**3. Reference:** Exhibit C – Award Fee Plan, Part II (E.)

**Question:** We would recommend that a supplement report for the self-evaluation devoted to financial performance be delivered at a slightly later date (15 business days) to allow sufficient time to capture and thoroughly analyze all data.

**ANSWER:** The financial performance data is to be included in the self-evaluation.

**4. Reference:** Exhibit C – Award Fee Plan, Part IV

**Question:** In general, we would recommend more weighted points be allocated to Technical Performance (at least 50%). This is evaluated at the Task Assignment level. Considering the dynamic environment under which many tasks perform, we also recommend adding the third metric, "Customer Satisfaction", which would be added to "Quality" and "Timeliness" under technical performance. The metric could recognize a variety of unique performance occurrences through this approach.

**ANSWER:** This was considered, but the Government has decided not to change the Plan. Customer satisfaction will be reflected under Quality and Timeliness.

**5. Reference:** Evaluation Criteria Factor 1, Technical Performance

**Question:** Under "Timeliness," the TOR describes the decrement procedure for tardy deliverables. Is it the intent that the computation never go below 0% for this metric evaluation? We would recommend this be the case.

**ANSWER:** Yes. The computation will never go below zero.

**6. Reference:** Evaluation Criteria Factor 3, Cost Performance

**Question/Comment/Suggestion:** We feel that the cost evaluation algorithm as presented is not sufficiently balanced so as to incentivize the contractor to seek innovation or share risk. The downside incentive for cost savings is 10% of the 25% cost factor, or 2.5% of the task fee pool. On a task of \$100K negotiated cost with an assumed 10% total award fee pool, the contractor would only receive a fee incentive of \$250 no matter how much money was saved LaRC through innovative technical or management performance. On the other extreme, a 5% overrun of negotiated cost (driving the score to 60%) would result in zero percent fee for the factor. The contractor would give up \$2,250 in fee for a \$5,000 overage. This severely disincentivizes the contractor to take any risk in performance approach which could potentially provide significant value to LaRC.

**ANSWER:** This was considered, but the Government has decided not to change the Plan.

**7. Reference: Part IV, Factor 2 (Cost Performance)** How will the "consideration" of factors such as control of labor rates, overhead, G&A, etc., affect the overall award fee score, or the cost portion of the award fee score? Is it possible to earn 100% of the cost portion of the award fee score according to the formula, and have the score reduced because of these "considerations"?

**ANSWER:** Yes. See answer to No. 1 above.

#### **D. Exhibit E – Task Order Documentation Requirements Questions:**

**1. Question:** The form 533M is due not later than the 10<sup>th</sup> operating day following the close of the Contractor's accounting period being reported. Would the Government consider making it due not later than the 10<sup>th</sup> operating day following the close of the calendar month being reported. This would accommodate various accounting months closing for multiple contract TORs on a team.

**ANSWER:** No.

**2. Reference:** Exhibit E references in several places (Sections A & E) the need to identify hours both in proposals, variance analysis and reporting on 533's.

**Comment:** This is inconsistent with the Government's stated intent not to issue Level of Effort Task Assignments. Recommend deleting these references.

**ANSWER:** A complete actual cost breakout (including hours and rates) is necessary to track cost, estimate resources, and evaluate cost performance.

**3. Reference:** Paragraphs B16., B17., and B18. The Safety and Health plan requires the contractor to provide information regarding "Crane Certification", "Scaffolding", and "Excavations and Trenching".

**Comment:** This information is inconsistent with the elements of work described in Exhibit A.

**ANSWER:** Paragraph B, last sentence, states that "if any area is not applicable to the effort, the contractor shall so state in the plan."

**4. Reference:** Paragraph I.E.4

**Comment:** This information seems redundant with the 533M reporting requirement and the Full Cost Reporting requirement at the TA level. Also, recommend that such report coincide with the end of the contractor's reporting month, not the calendar month.

**ANSWER:** The Government requires both reports. The FINAL TOR was revised to have the distribution requirements for the Full Cost Report as a separate deliverable with a different distribution than the 533. In addition, as stated in I.A.2, the 533 is due not later than the 10<sup>th</sup> operating day following the close of the Contractor's accounting period being reported.

**5. Reference: Exhibit E, Section II, B** The data formats for submittal of the written proposal are questionable in terms of compliance with NASA IT standards. Will LaRC accept documentation in NASA standard formats?

**ANSWER:** Noted. This will be reviewed and any changes will be reflected in the FINAL TOR.

#### **E: Attachment 1 Questions**

**1. Reference Attachment 1, section C, page 63--**The table presenting the schedule of submissions is not clear with respect to required dates for Past Performance information. It states that information is "Requested October 19, 2000; due November 3, 2000, 4:00 p.m. ET." However, section E.2.b on page 67 requires Attachment 3, Past Performance Questionnaires, to be returned to the NASA Contract Specialist by October 19, 2000. Does that mean that the written submission of Past Performance information is not due until November 3, 2000?

**ANSWER:** Section E.2.b was revised to agree with the chart. However, these dates will be revised depending on release of the FINAL TOR which is anticipated for September 29, 2000. Accordingly, this information is requested 2 weeks after release of FINAL TOR and due at the solicitation closing date.

**2. Reference: Section E.1.d** Since the total TO price is only an estimate and the final price cannot be determined precisely until individual TAs have been assigned and completed, will the government consider evaluating SB subcontracting performance based on actual TA costs rather than overall TO price?

**ANSWER:** For evaluation purposes, the SB subcontracting will be evaluated against the TO Price. For award fee evaluation purposes, the SB actuals will be evaluated against proposed goal percentages

**3. Reference: Page 68.** The draft RFP prohibits charging facilities direct to the contract. In our disclosed accounting practices facilities that are dedicated to a single contract are normally charged direct rather than as an indirect cost. We request that the Government rephrase the requirement to allow contractor's to treat facility costs in compliance with their disclosed accounting practices

**ANSWER:** As stated in FAR 45.302-1, it is the policy of the Government that Contractors shall furnish all facilities required for performing Government contracts. The definition of Facilities is stated in FAR 45.301. In keeping with the FAR, Langley's policy is to provide Government Property only under certain limited conditions as allowed by the FAR.

There are two methods of "providing" Government Property under a cost-reimbursement contract. One is for the Government to "furnish" Government Property to a contractor. The second way is for the Contractor to "acquire" property and direct charge it to the contract. Contractor acquired property becomes the property of the Government in accordance with paragraph (c) of FAR 52.245-5, Government Property (Cost Reimbursement, Time-and Material, or Labor-Hour Contracts). We do not intend to provide property, either as Government Furnished or Contractor Acquired, except in limited cases as specified in the Task Assignments.

A typical method of charging for facilities is to depreciate costs, less estimated residual value, over the useful life of the assets. In any event, you should propose these costs pursuant to your established accounting system.

**4. Reference: Paragraph C, Mailing Address**

**Question:** Will the government accept hand delivery of the proposals?

**ANSWER:** Yes. Offerors may hand deliver proposals to the addresses indicated in Attachment 1 to prior to the time and date established for receipt of proposals. However, offerors are cautioned that they assume complete responsibility for ensuring their hand delivered proposals are received at both locations. The GSA is the official location for receipt of proposals for the purposes of determining late proposals.



**5. Reference:** Paragraph E1A4 "Provide a resume....."

**Question:** There is no provision for providing a "resume" in the solicitation-- is the intent of the government to evaluate this information solely on what is provided on the slides for the oral presentation?

**ANSWER:** A 2-page resume in addition to the 75-page charts will be accepted and is due at the same time as the charts. This was reflected in the FINAL TOR.

**6. Reference:** Paragraph E.1.b:

**Question:** Based on the dates given, are offerors to assume that Phase-In will be December 18, 2000 - 1/31/01 with TO start on 2/1/01, or will Phase-In start 2/1/01? If the latter, how long should we assume it will last (six week period)? Is Phase-In considered part of the evaluated cost (i.e., the government staffing profile already includes hours for this activity)?

**ANSWER:** Phase-in commences with TO award, which is projected to be not later than December 18, 2000. We addressed phase-in costs in Attachment 1 of the FINAL TOR. Hours have not been included in Attachment 4 for phase-in costs.

**7. Reference:** Paragraph E.2.a, Past Performance "The contractor shall also describe at least three contracts that each of its first-tier subcontractors have performed (or is performing). The offeror shall forward a copy of Attachment 3, Past Performance Questionnaire, to the references listed in the proposal."

**Question:** Will the government consider setting a minimum threshold for this requirement since some first-tier subcontractors may have very small portions of work?

**ANSWER:** Past performance information shall be provided for any proposed first-tier subcontractor providing direct labor.

**8. Reference:** Paragraph E.3.a states the "The offeror shall propose facilities costs...pursuant to their established accounting system and clearly identify where these costs are considered in their proposal." It goes on to say that "As the Contractor is expected to provide facilities, these costs should not be charged direct to the TO."

**Comment:** As some Contractor's disclosed accounting practices may be to charge such items as a direct charge to the TO, this is conflicting guidance. Please clarify.

**ANSWER:** See answer to Question No. 3 above.

**9. Question:** Small Business Participation - It seems that the FAR clause referenced should be 52.219-9 instead of 52.219-19. Is this a correct assumption?

**ANSWER:** Correct. This was corrected in the FINAL TOR.

**10. Question:** Oral proposal instructions indicate use of Arial font text with a font size of no less than 14 point. Would the Government consider allowing use of a smaller font for tables or graphics included on a chart?

**ANSWER:** Yes. Tables and Graphics on a chart for the Oral Presentation/Proposal can be 12 point.

#### **F. Attachment 2, Government Estimated Staffing, Questions:**

**1. Reference:** Entirety

**Question:** Are these Position Descriptions provided only for the purposes of establishing the rates reflected in Attachment 4, or does the government intend them to be used for any reporting purposes following award?

**ANSWER:** The Position Descriptions will not be used for reporting purposes after award. Of course, the contractor is expected to provide fully trained and qualified employees to perform the TO.

**2. REFERENCE:** Entirety

**Question:** Each Position Description prefaces the degree requirements with the words "Should have...". Can we assume that the "Substitution of Experience for Education" guidelines documented in the Millennium Prime contract apply to the ConITS positions?

**ANSWER:** Yes.

**3. Reference:** Entirety

**Question:** Are the personnel performing under this contract required to meet both the Millennia labor category description and the LaRC General Position Description or does the LaRC General Position Description suffice?

**ANSWER:** See C.6 and H.9 of the Millennia contract. The Attachment 2 Position Descriptions correlate with the Millennia categories and project staffing for specific skills anticipated at LaRC. The Millennia categories are contractually binding and the LaRC position descriptions are for information only.

**4. Reference: Government Estimated Staffing** –Are bidders required to price the exact staffing level specified in Attachment 2 or can we reduce staffing to levels that we believe can perform the SOW requirements?

**ANSWER:** For proposal purposes, Attachment 4 should be priced as indicated. However, any innovative approaches to staffing should be addressed under Factor 1, Technical Proposal.

**5. Reference: Spreadsheet**

**Question:** The spreadsheet indicates that 96 personnel will be off-site. Is this before or after CAPS is folded into CONITS?

**ANSWER:** After. The CAPS positions are indicated on the Excel Spreadsheet.

**NOTE:** 8 positions identified as journeyman systems analysts in the area of expertise, System Administration, should have been indicated as located on-site; therefore, the total number of onsite positions for CONITS should be increased from 95 to 103. This was corrected in the FINAL TOR.

**6. Reference:** Position descriptions are written in terms of qualifications the prospective candidate “should” have. Please identify what latitude the use of “should” provides the contractor. For example, does “should” equate to “must”? Or does “should” indicate broad parameters in which the contractor is free to substitute directly applicable experience or demonstrated exceptional performance or other equitable measures?

**ANSWER:** The Millennia contract provides specific direction on substitution of Education for Experience Requirements. See Section J, Paragraph I.3 of the Millennia contract.

1. Attachment 2 (Excel Spreadsheet) and the Staffing Summary do not match. Just one example, in Attachment 2 there are 2 Clerical FTEs mapped to the SOW and on the Staffing Summary there are 3 Clerical FTEs. Please clarify which is correct, Attachment 2 (Excel Spreadsheet) or the Staffing Summary.

**ANSWER:** The spreadsheet is correct. The summary was corrected.

#### G. Questions on Attachment 4 – Bid Schedules, Indirect Handling Rates:

**1. Reference:** Entirety

**Question:** Can we assume that the rates shown on Attachment 4 and Exhibit B exclude fee and that the only place the government wants to see fee is on the last page of Attachment 4, Summary of Fully Loaded Direct Labor, ODC, and Fee?

**ANSWER:** Yes. The rates on Attachment 4 and Exhibit B exclude fee. Fee is to be indicated on Attachment 4, Summary of Fully Loaded Direct Labor, ODC, and Fee. Reference B.2.3 and H.4.3 of the GSA contract.

**2. Reference: Exhibit B and Attachment 4**–Does GSA/NASA want one labor rate for each Millennia labor category?

**ANSWER:** Yes. We desire one rate for each category in Exhibit B and Attachment 4.

#### Questions Received after Presolicitation Conference:

**1. Question:** Is the attendee list of the Conference available?

**ANSWER:** Yes. It has been posted at the Bidder’s Library.

**2. Question:** Section 3.3 of the TOR requires that an Electronic Task Assignment System be provided. Does that system have to be compliant with the LaRC Information Management Architecture Framework described in Section 5.4 entitled “Information Systems Development”? Can a COTS system be used?

**Answer:** A COTS system (or COTS modified system) may be used so long as it meets the requirements stated in Section 3.3. However, if a COTS system is used, it should be compatible with the LaRC Information Architecture described in Section 5.4 by allowing import and export of data to Oracle or Informix and it should support SQL standards to allow new or enhanced applications to be written to query, read, write, or modify the underlying database.

**3. Question:** The Draft TOR states that past performance questionnaires should be returned via fax, regular mail, or e-mail. Can we have them sent back to you via FedEx?

**ANSWER:** YES. Attachment 1 Instructions will be revised to allow for express mail.

**4. Question:** There is only one manager position in the staffing estimation chart for the whole TO. What is the implication?

**ANSWER:** See Attachment 1, C.1.b.4, Management Approach, and C.3.a, Cost Proposal.

**5. Question:** **Reference:** Questions handed out at the conference, Section F, Question 4  
**Comment:** The question refers to Attachment 2. The answer refers to Attachment 4.  
Are all bidders required to bid 191 FTE's (as in Attachment 2)?

**ANSWER:** Attachment 4, column headed "FTE's" was completed in the FINAL TOR. The FTE's to be indicated in Attachment 4 will correspond directly with Attachment 2. Your cost proposal shall include cost for all 191 positions EXCEPT FOR THE FIRST YEAR DUE TO THE CAPS PHASE-IN.